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Bohn Hall Heat And Power Fails

Meaghan McCallum
Staff Writer

On Thursday, Jan. 20, Bohn Hall experienced a complete electrical breakdown. A broken sprinkler head flooded the Electrical Room, damaged the transformer and shut the electrical power down, Assistant Vice President for Facilities Operations Walter Watkins said.

The proper authorities were called to Bohn Hall at approximately 9:30 a.m. and again at 10:30 a.m., Thursday morning after the building's fire alarm went off twice in a 30-minute time frame, Director of Residence Life Regina Sargent said.

During the authorities' second walk around the building to determine the source of the fire alarm, they discovered water coming from under the door of the electrical room on the first floor of Bohn.



Dominique Wilson | The Montclarion
Ferin Catlet was one of 650 Bohn Hall residents asked to leave her room with an overnight bag.

Five Athletic Programs Cut Administration Cites Limited Resources

Jose Ortiz
Sports Editor

In an effort to strengthen the overall athletic program the University has elected to "reclassify" five varsity sports to club sports status, Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Karen Pennington said.

The sports teams included in the reclassification, effective Fall 2005, are wrestling, men and women's cross country, women's tennis, and men's lacrosse, Pennington said.

According to Senior Vice President of Administration Harry Shuckel, the athletic budget, after salaries and facility maintenance, is \$2.1 million. This is 1 percent of the University's \$205 million budget.

"A Division III program of our size, that sponsors football, has an annual athletic budget of \$1.3 million," said Pennington. "Montclair State University has \$350,000."

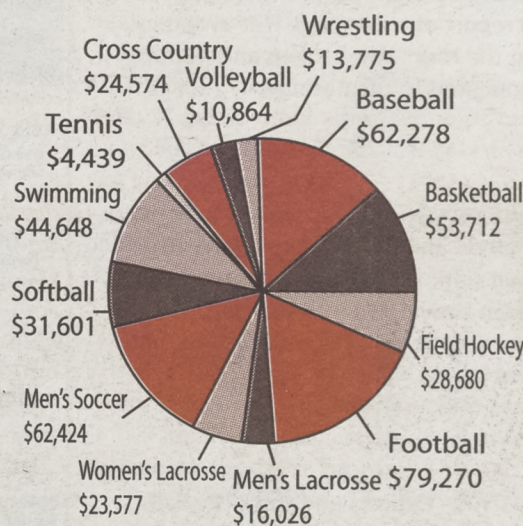
"We have tried not to make this decision for a long time," said Holly

Gera, director of the athletic department. "We have tried to be creative and spread resources but sometimes you're just spread too thin."

"Twenty-one varsity sports is a lot for an institution of our size," said Pennington. "Our budget did not keep up with our increasing costs."

"Part of the reason for the reclassification is because we don't want [to make cuts] in another year," said Gera. "We hope this change will be the first step to help make an overall improvement in the program," she said.

"As we looked at where the University is and where we need to be, we realized we need to streamline," Pennington said. "We looked at everything as a whole. We did



A breakdown of the \$455,868 total operating costs before coach salaries.

not look at athletic records." The sports to be reclassified were chosen based on the employment status of teams' coaches, said Gera. According to Gera, the University kept full-time coaches because their job coaching is their livelihood.

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"Residence Life did a good job of taking responsibility and helping people find housing..."

Deanna Muro
Bohn Hall resident

Students who were waiting outside to return to their rooms were sent to wait in the Blanton Hall atrium for more information. It wasn't until early evening on Thursday that Residence Life realized that the main generator would not be repaired in time for residents to return to Bohn that night, said Sargent.

The University hired Allen Electric, an external high voltage maintenance contractor, to restore power to the broken generator.

"Allen Electric staff worked toward making the necessary repairs to the high voltage side of the electrical gear sections damaged by the water," said Watkins. "Those included cabling, lighting, main breakers and fuses."

The University had to fly in new parts for the generator from places as far as Chicago, which contributed to the elongated time that the

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Heat Problems Plague MSU

Jessica Havery
News Editor

Every area of Wellness Services has been affected by heating problems, said Wellness Services Director Susan Skalsky.

Wellness Services was forced to close the Health Center during winter break because of inadequate heat in the facility. If the environment is too cold, patients cannot be undressed comfortably for examination, said Skalsky.

In addition to the temporary closing of the Blanton-based Health Center, Skalsky said that in order to make up for poor heat circulation, space heaters have been used within the Bohn Hall offices and the Drop-In Center.

We have space heaters in Bohn Hall, but cannot use more than one because we constantly blow circuit breakers, she said.

According to Skalsky, the Drop-In Center has an almost non-existent heating system. With limited electricity to the building, space heaters are not successful in heating the entire center.

Due to inadequate heat, pipes ruptured in the Center destroying a new large screen Sony TV and DVD-VCR player that were purchased for a film series to be hosted in the Center, Skalsky said.

Employees of the Center have

requested the installation of a heating and cooling system and an electrical upgrade. "These items have not yet been approved for implementation," said Skalsky. "Finding the money is the issue in this case. Unfortunately, some things are beyond the control of A & E Services and the Physical Plant."

The various departments of

Wellness Services are not the only areas on campus experiencing heat problems.

"The Student Center is an arctic zone," said Steve Gaffney, textbook manager at the University Bookstore. "The hallways in the building are cold beyond a reasonable level."

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Dominique Wilson | The Montclarion
Heat problems in buildings across campus have influenced students such as Kristin Vassallo to wear a coat and hat indoors.

Bradford School Connects With MSU

Jessica Havery
News Editor

Montclair State University and Bradford Academy, a Montclair magnet school, have formed a relationship that will allow approximately 360 elementary school students to experience University life first hand.

After nearly 15 years, Bradford administrators have decided to drop the word "academy" and alter the magnet school's theme, said Catherine Vitone, principal of the K-5 school.

"I get calls from people all the time thinking we're a private school," said Vitone. "We think the word academy is not inclusive anymore."

As "The University Magnet," instead of its previous Communication Arts and Sciences theme, Bradford students will have the opportunity to take the five-

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The Police Report:

Assault Incidents Hit

Campus Community

1/9/05 - A juvenile male attending a skating part at Floyd Hall Arena was assaulted by a known juvenile male attending the party.

1/10/05 - An officer responded to Brantl Lecture Hall in Dickson Hall on a report of a burglary. The swipe lock to the room was broken and nothing appeared to be missing.

1/15/05 - Officers responded to Fenwick Hall on an activated fire alarm. The pull station on the fourth floor had been activated and a search of the building proved negative for fire and smoke.

1/15/05 - Officers and the Little Falls EMS unit responded to the Floyd Hall Arena on a reported assault. A male hockey player was knocked down by an opposing male hockey player. The victim was assessed at the scene and refused medical attention.

1/16/05 - Graffiti was discovered on a wall in Blanton Hall during a walk through by the Residence Assistants on duty.

1/20/05 - Drug paraphernalia was found in a resident's room in Blanton Hall.

1/22/05 - Officers responded to the east side of the Student Center on a report of a male being assaulted by a large group of males. The Little Falls EMS unit responded to the scene. The victim was transported to St. Joseph's Medical center for treatment.

1/22/05 - A male MSU student reported the theft of his motor vehicle while parked in the fire lane at the Clove Road apartments.

1/22/05 - Officers responded to the Red Hawk Diner on a report of patrons who left the Diner without paying the bill. The individuals were apprehended, interviewed, and made full restitution for the items consumed. No charges were filed in this case.

Anyone who has information regarding these incidents is urged to call the police station from any campus phone at T-I-P-S (8477). All calls are strictly confidential.

MSU Campus Calendar

THURSDAY 27

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Career Fair: On Campus Jobs

6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
OSCE: Dance Team Auditions

7 p.m.
ISO: Movie Night

FRIDAY 28

2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
HRLDA General Meeting

2:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.
RecBoard Meeting

SATURDAY 29

Have a great weekend!

SUNDAY 30

1 p.m.
Broadway Play Trip: Whoopi

8 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Wresting Pay Per View: "Royal Rumble"

MONDAY 31

7:30 p.m.
LASO: Movie Night

8:30 p.m.
Alpha Kappa Psi Interest Meeting

8:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Lambda Sigma Upsilon: Interest Meeting

TUESDAY 1

12 p.m.
OSAU: African American Heritage Flag Raising

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
OSAU: African American Heritage Month Opening Luncheon

7 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Meet The Greeks

WEDNESDAY 2

12 p.m. - 4 p.m.
OSCE: Dance Team Auditions

SGA Notes

- \$750 was appropriated for Amici to hold a Masquerade Ball on Feb. 10.

- \$122.45 was appropriated to the Psychology Club for a seminar on Feb. 1

- Two new legislative representatives were sworn in.

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Local News

COMPILED BY LAUREN LAMPE

JERSEY CITY - More than 1,000 mourners attended the funeral Monday for a Jersey City family whose unsolved murder has stoked religious animosities that go back for centuries.

The killers, who bound, gagged and stabbed the victims in their throats, remained at large, their motives unknown.

Members of the community believe religious fanatics were responsible for the killings of Hossam Armanious, 47, Amal Garas, 37, and their two children, Sylvia, 15 and Monica, 8.

in their Oakland Avenue home last week.

ELIZABETH - A fight over a woman may have triggered a bloody stabbing that left two men dead at a go-go bar in Elizabeth, Saturday.

Police declined to name the woman and her relationship to the victims Michael Killeen, 26, of Bloomfield, and Kevin Davis, 28, of Belleville.

NEWARK - Nine members of the notorious Latin Kings gang,

including the groups leaders, admitted in Superior Court yesterday that they ran a criminal enterprise and intimidated their members in order to fund their organization.

Eight men and one woman pleaded guilty before Judge Scott J. Moynihan to the same second-degree racketeering charge of being a leader of organized crime.

NEWARK - Two city men were found shot dead in a car early yesterday in a remote indus-

trial part of the city. The men were discovered at 2:30 a.m., when patrol officers came upon a black Lexus 300 parked in the middle of North Fourth Street, near Branch Brook Park.

NEWARK - Newark police officers shot and killed a motorist and injured a passenger early yesterday after the driver allegedly rammed their patrol car head-on and led them on a brief chase.

National News

COMPILED BY LAUREN LAMPE

NEW YORK - A subway line serving tens of thousands of New Yorkers a day was knocked out of service and another severely limited, possibly for years, because of a fire that authorities said may have been set by a homeless person trying to stay warm.

The fire was set Sunday in a shopping cart in or near the Chambers Street station in lower Manhattan, fire officials said

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS - A group of suspected illegal immigrants were being questioned Tuesday after federal authorities intercepted their single-engine plane and forced it to land.

However, officials said they had found no connection between the Chinese nationals aboard the plane and a Chinese group sought for questioning in an alleged terrorism plot in Boston.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA - Prosecutors want to show jurors "erotic materials" seized from Michael Jackson's Neverland Ranch when the pop singer goes on trial on child molestation charges, according to newly released court documents.

The request covers books, videos and magazines seized in searches in November 2003, and three books and two photographs taken by investigators in August 1993, when Jackson faced similar allegations.

WASHINGTON, DC - The Bush administration soon will ask Congress for about \$80 billion in additional funding for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Congressional aides said that about 75 percent of the \$80 billion would probably be earmarked for the Army, which is doing most of the fighting in Iraq. Some of the money might be designated for a new embassy in Baghdad, which has been projected to cost as much as \$1.5 billion.

International News

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NEW DELHI, INDIA - A stampede of religious pilgrims, packed along a narrow road leading to a Hindu shrine, killed at least 215 people in western India Tuesday afternoon.

The chaos started when a few impatient devotees started to push through the crowd of 200,000 Hindu worshippers who were making their way uphill to the Mandhara Devi shrine.

As dozens of people were crushed, others became angry and set fire to shops along the road.

RUMBEK, SUDAN - Leaders of Sudan's main southern rebel movement unanimously endorsed Monday an agreement to end Africa's longest-running civil war, paving the way for a new constitution and power sharing government.

U.N. and U.S. officials hope the deal will help end Sudan's other conflicts -- a 23-month rebellion in the western Darfur region and a low intensity insurgency in the eastern Red Sea Hills.

LONDON, ENGLAND - The devastating tsunami that wiped out cities, seaside communities and holiday resorts in southern Asia has not put holidaymakers off visiting the region, a survey has found.

In France, the number of people considering taking a holiday in the region rose from 6 percent before the disaster, to 8 percent afterwards. In Germany the figure remained steady at 4 percent.

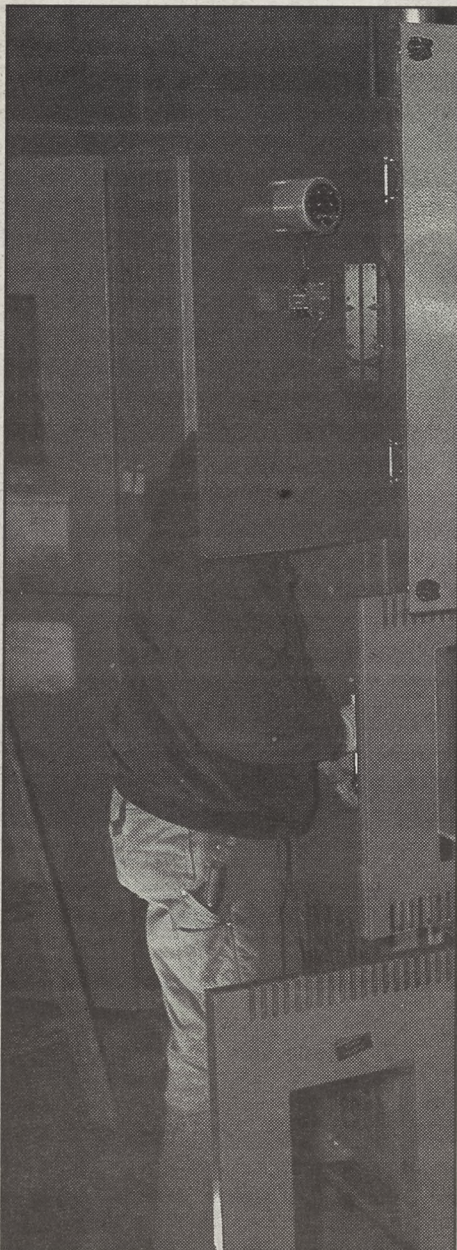
LONDON, ENGLAND - The last four Britons to be held at the U.S. detention center in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, have arrived back in the UK.

Police arrested the men under Section 41 of the Terrorism Act 2000 which refers to the alleged involvement in the commission, preparation or instigation of acts of terrorism.

Families of the men say the men have suffered torture during their detention without trial for almost three years.

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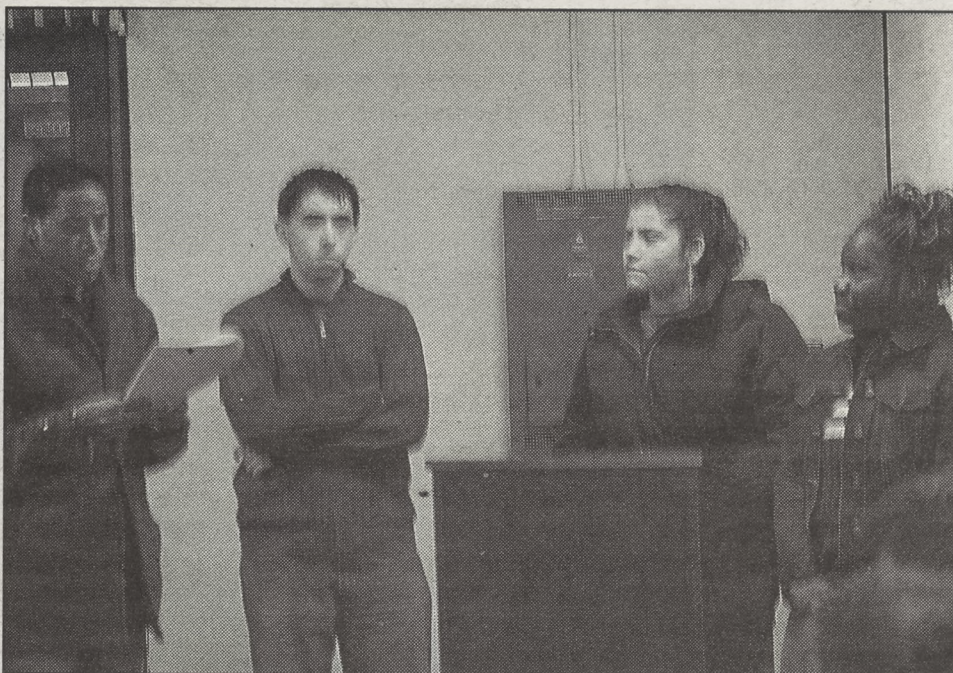
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A Physical Plant employee works on the electrical panel after Bohn Hall loses power.

building was under repair. Due to extreme weather conditions, the contractors had to switch back and forth from actively repairing the main generator to allowing electrical power from the temporary generator to run throughout the building to ensure that no pipes would freeze or burst, said Sargent.

The Office of Residence Life established a contact center in the Blanton Hall atrium for all students who had questions about the housing situation. "Because there was no heat or electricity in Bohn, we had to maintain the security of the building," said Sargent.

"What happened is nobody's fault and they handled it well under the circumstances, but we weren't very well-informed about what we should do," said Alyson Kuritz, freshman undeclared. "I was lucky to have friends in Webster."



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RHA President Pierre Johnson (far left), accompanied by Drew Ward, Sarah Louissaint and Diana Abre, discuss the Bohn Hall incident and an emergency plan of action the members have agreed to endorse.

Resident Assistants advised Bohn residents to go home or stay with a friend if possible, and provided staff-escorted "tours" through Bohn Hall for those who needed to retrieve personal belongings from the building. Residence Life made accommodations on Thursday night at the Wellesly Inn in Clifton for an estimated 50 students who were unable to find alternate housing, said Sargent.

"When residents mess up, [Residence Life] can charge us hundreds of dollars, but Residence Life messed up and didn't provide housing the way they guarantee," President of Residence Hall Association Pierre Johnson

"What happened is nobody's fault and [Residence Life] handled it well under the circumstances..."

Alyson Kuritz

Bohn Hall resident

said.

Residence Life staff made the decision to stay in Bohn Hall Thursday and Friday to answer phones and assist in any way that they could, despite the electrical breakdown and lack of heat, said Sargent.

"I feel like Residence Life did a good job of taking responsibility and helping people

find housing, but it shouldn't have required us to be out of the building for so long. It's just an inconvenience," said Deanna Muro, freshman biology major.

The generator was repaired and full power was restored to the building at 12:45 a.m., early morning Saturday. Residents were able to re-enter Bohn Hall at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, nearly two days after the evacuation, said Sargent.

"It was an ordeal," RHA Governor to Bohn Hall Sarah Louissaint said. "We were all homeless. I'm truly just getting over it."

Though Bohn Hall is functioning, the building will reach normalcy only toward the end of the week and continues to face heating problems, said Sargent. Students who are experiencing heating problems are advised to tape their windows to avoid draft, or, if a room temperature dips beneath 68 degrees fahrenheit, to request a space heater from the University.

Some residents expressed their feelings with complaints toward the administration throughout the hallways of Bohn Hall. Residence Life has also received a strong stream of complaints from parents and students in the form of e-mail and phone calls, said Sargent.

In response to the recent Bohn Hall incident, the Residence Hall Association has decided to put a bill in place to avoid such confusion in the future.

According to the bill, which passed unanimously, "Recent events in Bohn Hall have proven that the current system, if any such exists, causes only disarray and a lack of place to sleep."

The bill has resolved that the RHA endorse a plan of action, with the Office of Residence Life that will review, strategize, and create a plan that will guarantee that all residents have a place to stay in the event of a closing of a residence hall.

"[Bohn Hall] is just another example of a Residence Life problem. Someone comes to fix something, fiddles around with his wrench and leaves the problem the same as it was," said Andrew Ward, a Bohn Hall resident. "Residence Life needs to know that maintenance people aren't doing their jobs well enough."

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Bohn Hall students and members of RHA gathered in the Blanton-Bohn Quad to protest the way that the Office of Residence Life handled the Bohn Hall emergency.

President Cole Gets A Pay Increase

Lauren Lampe
Staff Writer

Montclair State University's President Cole will earn \$250,000 for the 2005 fiscal year, up from \$221,000 the previous year, according to the Chair of the Board of Trustees George Hiltzik.

The salaries of college presidents are increasing despite rising tuition and budget cuts, according to *CNN.com*.

According to the Chronicle of Higher Education's Compensation Survey, 17 presidents of public universities will earn more than \$500,000 this year, up from 12 last year and six the previous year.

According to *CNN.com*, the highest paid public university president is the University of Washington's Mark Emmert, who earns \$762,000 in pay and benefits.

The Board of Trustees decides the President's salary on an annual basis after a review of the President's performance based on two standards evaluated by the Personnel Committee and entire Board, Hiltzik said.

First, the Board assesses the quality of the President's performance and second, they compare the salaries of other Presidents in New Jersey and in comparable institutions throughout the nation, Hiltzik said.

According to Hiltzik, Cole's salary is paid for entirely by student tuition and state appropriation. Cole, being awarded Educator of the Year by the Research and Development Council of New Jersey, further "demonstrates that [the Board] made a fine choice and that Dr. Cole is unusually meritorious," Hiltzik said.

"The President is the chief executive officer of the University and thus is responsible for managing all University affairs. The President is also the University's academic and administrative leader, and its principal advocate, spokesperson, and fundraiser," Hiltzik said.

"I think presidents are starting to look more like CEOs than college presidents..."

Roger Bowen

General Secretary, American Association of University Professors

"I think they're starting to look more like CEOs than college presidents, and I think public trust is a real issue," General Secretary of the American Association of University Professors and former president of New York's state university system Roger Bowen said, according to *CNN.com*.

"The salaries of university presidents, especially presidents of public universities, look nothing like the salaries of corporate CEOs, who generally receive significantly larger compensation packages," Hiltzik said.

"The public has no reason to be distrustful of universities because their presidents are compensated for their years of experience, the quality of their performance, and the complexity and importance of their jobs."

"Montclair State University has the good fortune to have a superb and very hardworking president who is totally dedicated to the best interests of the University and its students," Hiltzik said.

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Nearly a year ago when the handicap accessible door was installed, Gaffney noticed the change. "The door stays open too long and all the cold air gets in. Obviously, it's being used as a regular door as well," he said.

SGA Secretary Evelyne Walters, who also works in the Student Center, shares Gaffney's opinion. "I have to work with my gloves, jacket and scarf on," she said.

"I think [the temperature of the Student Center] is horrible," Walters said. "These are deplorable working conditions. I believe it is against state law and, if it isn't, it should be."

Last week eight heat-related complaints within residence halls, including Blanton, Bohn, Count Basie, Williams Carlos Williams, Freeman, Russ and Webster Halls, were reported to the Physical Plant, said Walter Watkins, assistant vice president of facilities operations.

"An environment that is too warm or too cold reduces the productivity of employees and students."

Susan Skalsky
Wellness Services Director

The average temperature of a residence hall ranges from 67 to 72 degrees, said Watkins. This temperature, decided on by the Office of Residence Life, is monitored daily by physical plant employees.

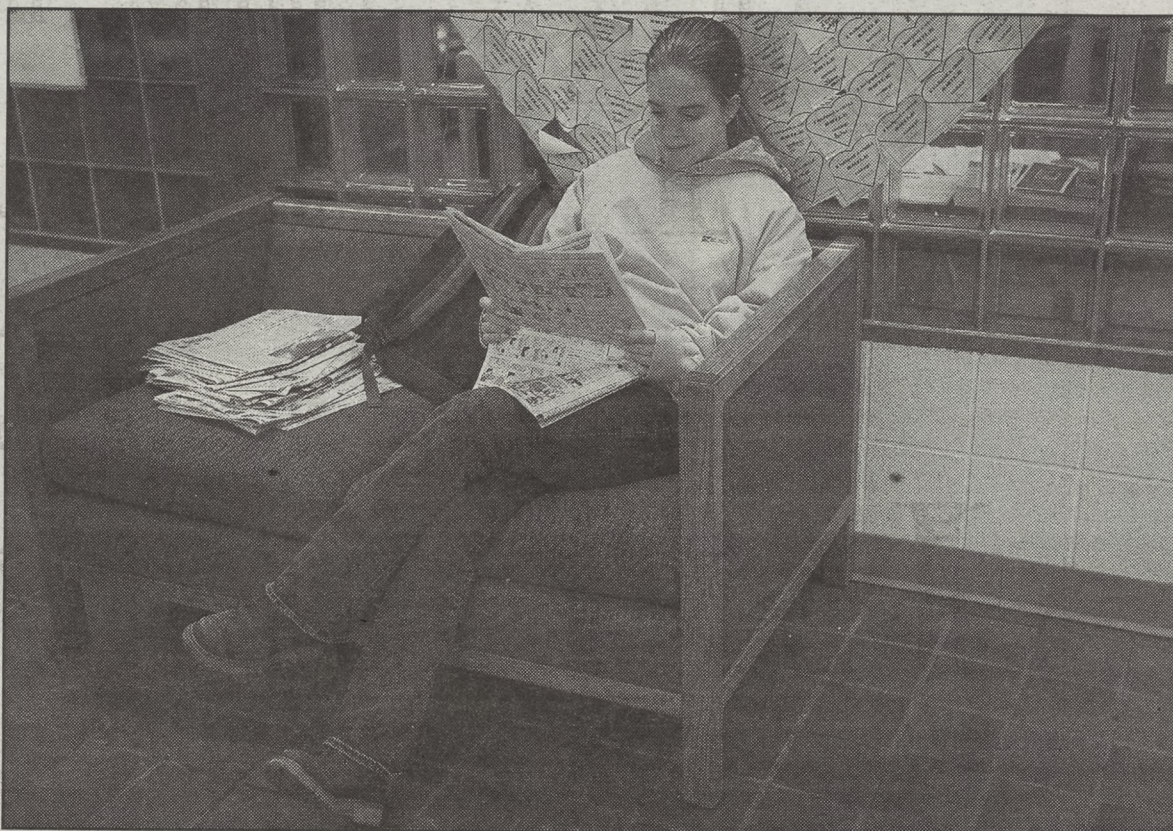
At Monday evening's Residence Hall Association meeting, Bohn Hall resident Andrew Ward spoke about the conditions of his room after returning to the building last weekend. "When I came back to the building my room was extremely cold with snow and ice on the windows," said Ward. "They were unlivable conditions."

Heat and circulation problems are, in part, due to an aged infrastructure in need of upgrading, said Watkins. Frigid temperatures are severely taxing. The Heat and Ventilation staff are working to effectively and efficiently maintain and operate the systems.

"My heat [in Blanton] was broken for a week before someone came to fix it," said Cynthia Bankowki, junior business major. "My suitmates' heat wasn't working and maintenance blamed it on the pipes."

"The heat in my [Webster] room isn't enough," said Ruchi Sharma, sophomore education major. "We have a space heater but having a work order completed is such a long process. It takes forever."

The pool, located in Panzer Gym, hasn't been heated for about a week, said Kristin Bates, freshman broadcasting major.



Lounge areas in the Student Center annex have dropped in temperature, leading students and faculty members such as Christine Dah (above), a University bookstore employee, to wear winter clothing while working and studying.

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Swimmers get out of the water and freeze. My swim coach wears a scarf and hat in the pool area.

In Dickson Hall, students wear coats throughout classes, said Leslie Wilson, chairperson of the History department. "Our Dean's Office received complaints from students and faculty."

Anne Lee, a sophomore elementary education major, was one of those students. "My classmates and I wear winter clothes in class because it is so cold," she said. "It's hard to take notes with gloves on."

While Wilson said all buildings had inadequate heat to begin the semester, he didn't feel that it could have been prevented. The heat was not on during winter break and the recent temperature drop was so severe.

Dickson Hall is always burning up or freezing cold, said Bridget Laudine, sophomore graphic design major. There is no medium temperature.

"An environment that is too warm or too cold reduces the productivity of employees and students," said Skalsky. "We need to be physically comfortable to work efficiently."

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minute walk to MSU and access University facilities, such as the video conferencing capabilities, art gallery, sports fields or photo lab, said Vitone.

At a Jan. 10 Board of Education meeting, Naomi Kirkmand, teacher and co-chair of the Bradford School Review Committee, said that each class would participate in at least three university-related experiences a year, one per semester.

Bradford students, including fifth-grader Dominique Bryant, are excited for what the collaboration will bring forth.

"I think that working with MSU is a good idea because then we can have more resources," Bryant said. "I am interested in using the sports fields and photo labs."

Kirkmand also said that exposure to the idea of a University so early in their educational journey will benefit the students of Bradford.

"The words 'university' and 'college' will be as familiar as [the words] 'reading' and 'math,'" said Kirkmand.

This integration of MSU and Bradford will not be the first time the two are working closely together, said Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services.

"We already have a significant partnership with Bradford," said Cutler. "It will only expand, and we will formulize a mutu-

ally beneficial and productive partnership." Through the use of MSU's video-conference laboratory, located in Chapin Hall, a fifth-grade Spanish class recently participated in a live chat with a sixth-grade English class from Valencia, Spain.

Board member Jean Armstrong said that Bradford wouldn't be the only Montclair school to work with MSU.

According to Cutler, the University collaborates with 21 school districts in New Jersey. "We have students who are student-

teaching in other schools in Montclair. This is not in any way diminishing or negating our partnership with other schools in the district," Cutler said. "Bradford is a school that is walking distance from MSU and because of this, it is a natural relationship."

According to *The Montclair Times*, Montclair's magnet schools, adopted in 1977, have been named one of the best magnet systems in the nation by the U.S. Department of Education.



Dominique Wilson | The Montclarion

Bradford Academy students, grades K-5, will now have the opportunity to take advantage of MSU facilities. This union comes after the Academy changes its magnet theme to "The University Magnet."

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Cheaper Ways for Spring Break Play

For Beach Party Wishes And Debauchery Dreams, The Time to Research Trips Is Now

By Lacey C. Smith
Chief Copy Editor

It might only be the second week of classes, but it's already time to start thinking about where you will be in two months. Wrong, not midterms. It's time to begin planning for that week of skin cancer hazards, bare-breasted women, and drunken depravity that we the collegiate like to call spring break.

I suppose even Christians that fight for prayer in schools are happy that our politically-correct academia have stopped associating the break with the Easter holiday - I doubt that even Mary Magdalene in her wildest days would come close to the college girls that take off their string bikini tops, rub themselves in mud and hook up with each other for the excited viewers that will watch them for months to come on MTV.

Of course all students don't look at that week in March as a time to fulfill each of their carnal desires on television. Many just want to get away from the campus, the family and everything North Jersey-associated. It's a time to wind down, explore a little, take some pictures and try some new beers. Whatever you do this year, the time to begin figuring it out is right now, when the snow is still on the ground and the thought of putting your pasty, Christmas-cookie thighs into a bathing suit makes you cringe.

Spring Break offers so many different options, but rarely do people realize or fully research them to get the best deals and make the trip go as smoothly as possible. Knowing where to look for the best location, package deals, and information about the area will save you money and energy that is better spent at the bar.

The very phrase "spring break" has been taken over by MTV; and when planning their getaway, most students wonder where the pop-culture superstition will be headed, to take advantage of the hype generated by thousands of bathing-suit-clad students and a myriad of singers and reality-TV stars from *Road Rules* and the like.

According to *springbreaktravel.com* (a co-sponsor with MTV for hot events) this year's top destinations include Florida's Panama City and Daytona Beach; Nassau, Bahamas; Negril, Jamaica; Mexico's Acapulco and, need it even be mentioned, Cancun.

The site is a great research tool for deals that include flight and hotel, and sometimes hours of free drinks. Other specials include cruises that take off in Florida, swing into the Caribbean, and make their way back. The site also has an entire page dedicated to telling students what celebrities will be where and a spot where former vacationers have rated the various hotels and bars, making it easy to see where to avoid and what not to miss at each location.

For example, in Cancun, the unofficial American collegiate spring break capital of the world, where according to the site, over 200,000 students visit annually...

- The hottest bars are Pat O'Briens, Senior Frogs Fat Tuesdays and the booze cruises are unforgettable.

- It is worth it to spend a little extra money to get a hotel near the beach and closer to the excitement.

- Snorkeling is inexpensive and gorgeous nearby off Cozumel, the second largest barrier reef in the world.

- Day trips to the Mayan temples are available and well worth the visit, though many students miss out on the opportunity because they got lost at the bar. Don't!

Not all college students consider themselves MTV junkies however, and for the more serious traveler, the places affiliated with Spring Break can seem tourist-ridden and overdone. Yet some beautiful coastlines are not so exhausted, and because of that can be cheaper places to stay and offer a greater cultural experience. Mexico has an abundance of such cities; far from the thousands of American students in Cancun lie Xochimilco with carnivals and a great atmosphere and picturesque Tulum, located atop a cliff which overlooks the Caribbean.

Further down into South America lies possibly one of the best little-known vacation areas. Venezuela offers visitors a gorgeous and diverse landscape at an unbelievably cheap exchange rate. There are few tourists in comparison with other beach sites, and those there won't all be American college students. Tourism is somewhat deterred by the country's reputation, but is actually quite safe, save the city of Caracas.

For information on any cities outside the States, the Rough Guide and Lonely Planet websites and published guides are accurate, extremely detailed and geared towards college-aged individuals with little money and a taste for nightlife and excitement. The more you know about a place before you go, the more likely you are to go home with a story that other people don't have.

Additionally, it's a great year to stay in the States. With Delta having financial difficulty and United and US Airlines' recent bankruptcies, analysts predict an all-out

airfare war. What flights will be cheaper? Mostly it will be weekday, intercity flights, often with hotel deals included. With so many websites offering cheap tickets, it is almost

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needless to go to a travel agent for a Stateside trip. Great resources for cheap tickets include:

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- *cheaptickets.com*
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Austin, Texas, offers a great college-atmosphere for break, even for a Jersey democrat. Nashville, Tennessee, lets loose with bluegrass and up-and-coming musicians of various sorts. San Francisco is beautiful and clean and well, California's reputation for fun leaves little to be

said. Colorado has numerous microbreweries for the beer-drinker in addition to breathtaking mountains and lakes. Charleston, South Carolina is one of the oldest and most beautiful cities in the country and those in want of historical sites will find it optimal. For those not keen on leaving the country who still want the beach experience, South Carolina offers much more than Myrtle Beach. The Isle of Palms and Fripp Island both offer the fine sand and beautiful water that make Myrtle Beach so popular, but without the streams of sock-and-sandal, camera-in-hand folk. The possible trips within the country are doubtlessly countless, and the best one depends on personal preference and cheap flight availability.

Pregnant? Can't part from your nail file or pocketknife? Just don't like to fly? Get in the car and go. Some places are well within driving distance, especially for a couple people - Washington D.C.; Philadelphia; Manchester, Vermont; Acadia, Maine... The destination doesn't always have to be a beach. A tent, some friends and a couple of six-packs will provide more than enough enjoyment to make any person dread going back to classes the next Monday.

Wherever spring break will find you, start now. Use web resources and put yourself on the mailing lists for cheap flights; it's the only filler mail that may save you money, though likely not get you a free iPod mini. The sooner you begin figuring spring break details out, saving and salivating for it, the better and cheaper it will be.

MSU President And VP Answer Questions



Dominique Wilson | The Montclarion

Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole [above right] and Vice-President for Student Development and Campus Life Karen Pennington [left] held a question-and-answer session on MSU's radio station 90.3 W-MSC FM on Wednesday Jan. 26. The special program featured the two administrators answering questions posed to them by Programming Director David Deich as well as callers to the station. The focus of most questions dealt with two issues: residence life and the elimination of five MSU athletic teams. Cole responded to questions about the athletic cuts by saying, "We [MSU] have a large athletic program. We don't have the resources to maintain 21 varsity sports." Questions were also raised about where funding for the new recreation center would be coming from, in which Cole responded, "Student recreation fees have been held back for four years to pay for it."

Gender Roles And Sexual Pressures

Issues with Guys Not Making The First Move And The Make Or Break Date for Sex

Dear G.M.,

I've been having issues lately with guys and calling. What's the deal with the proverbial "rules"? Should I really not be calling them first? Should I not call at all...ever? Should he be making the first move? Frankly, I'm getting confused, and I don't know what this all means. Can you help me out?

~T.G.~

We're talking about the rules of the game here, and I'm with you on the idea that it's all very confusing. Who wants rules when it comes to something as personal as dating?

Shouldn't we be able to decide what is right for us as individuals? As women in a new era where we have all the same rights, shouldn't we be able to take the initiative and call the guy first?

My gut instinct is to say absolutely, but I'm going to have to go against everything I believe in and tell you that the idea of the game has its merits and some of the rules really can't be broken.

I regret saying this, and I wish it wasn't the truth, but I've played it both ways, and for the most part, we have to follow some rules. The phone is such a tricky thing for most guys, and as women, we can't seem to understand it.

Here's the real deal: we have to give men a lot more credit than we are giving them. They are extremely capable of picking up a phone and dialing seven digits plus an area code. They have rules too.

No one wants to look desperate, so they're definitely not calling the day after they get your number no matter how much they like you, but anytime after that is fair game.

Yet, if he calls over a week later, the idiot has no excuse, and I would suggest approaching him with caution. Let him do the work, at least when it comes to making the first phone call. It would be the gentlemanly thing to do.

In my opinion, you don't want to make it look like you need to talk to him. If he's a stand up guy, then he's going to make the phone call, and you can take it from there. There need be no more games if you feel that things are running smoothly.

Call him after that whenever you want. Just don't call him so many times that he thinks you are crazy. Leave a message if he doesn't answer and wait for him to call back. If he's interested, he really will call you.

Bottom line: there really are no "rules" that apply to every person in the world. Some guys like when a girl is assertive and makes the first phone call. Other guys despise it. So take your chances!

Do what you feel is the best style for you, but remember that you must be patient, and if things don't seem to work out

with Mr. He

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Dear G.M.,

My really good friend told me that there is some common notion that the third date is universally known as the make or break date in terms of having sex. I really

like this guy and we've already gone out on two dates. I'm not sure if I am really ready to have a serious sexual relationship with him. Is this really true or is my friend making it up?

~K.S.~

Let us be very clear that there isn't a thing in the world that is absolutely universal! Your friend has already made a grave mistake by feeding into this ridiculous propaganda.

As silly as that seems, I have heard that many people believe that to be true, but I can assure you that there are plenty of people who would never even consent to having sex on the third date and would be deeply offended if someone broached the proposition. Others would be perfectly comfortable with the idea.

The deal is that no one has the right to set up a timetable that allocates when someone should or should not be having sexual relations.

?

Every person differs in terms of when they feel comfortable embarking on a sexual relationship with a new partner, and there is no guidebook that tells you when or when not to bring up the topic. Frankly, the same person can have very different timetables in accordance to the person they are dealing with.

Your friend has sadly been misinformed. We all do not live by the "third date" principle. Some of us live by the "waiting till we're married" principle, while

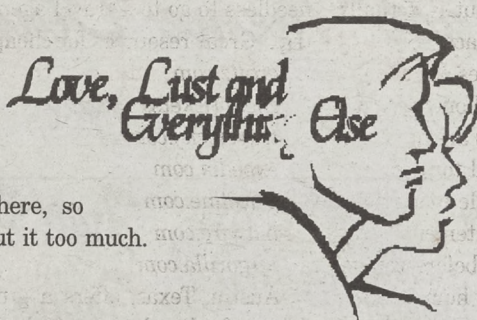
others believe in the idea that the first date is quite enough to make a good sexual decision.

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Gauge your decision by the person you are dealing with, not by the "universal notion." Don't feel pressured into giving yourself over to him just because you don't want to lose the relationship. If he is truly interested in you, he'll accept your decision.

Conversely, if you make the mistake of getting rid of someone just because they wouldn't have sex with you on the third date, then you may be throwing away someone who is amazing just because you thought he or she was informed about this idea.

I'm here to answer your questions. If you have a dilemma like the ones above, I'm at your service. Just e-mail me at Montfeature@yahoo.com with the title 'Attention G.M. Grosso.' I look forward to hearing from you.



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Rob Gilbert, Ph.D.
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2) *Continue*: In other words, "Keep on keeping on." Why do so many people fail to

continue once they get started? The number one reason for quitting for marathon runners is pain and exhaustion. The number one reason for college students is discouragement. In the long run, it hurts more to quit than to continue.

Question: How do you fight discouragement?
Answer: With success.

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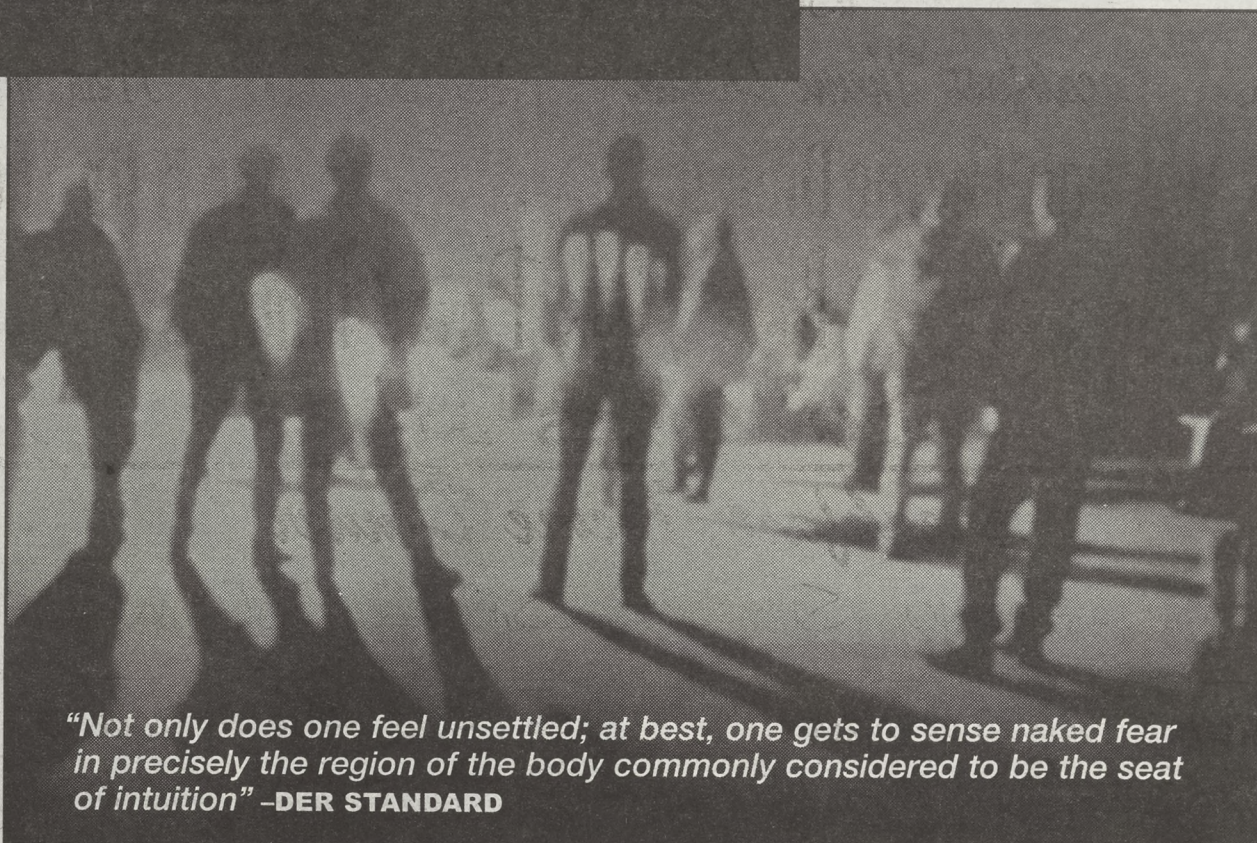
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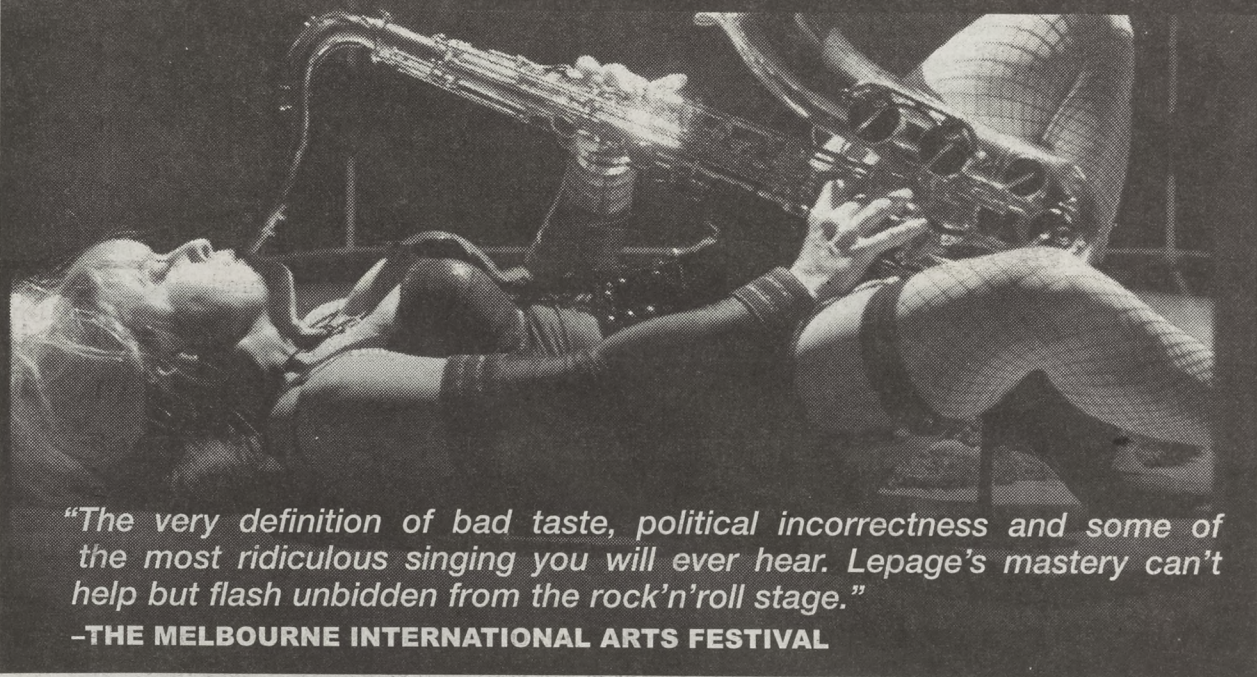
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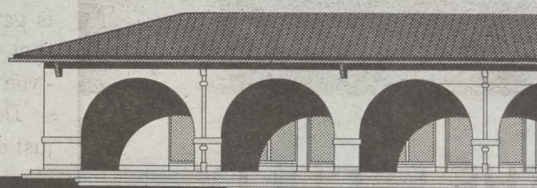
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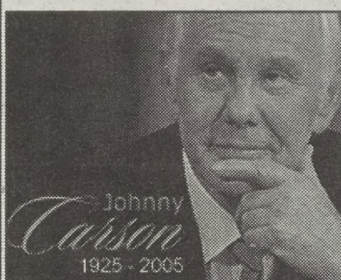
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ENTERTAINER OF THE WEEK: JOHNNY CARSON

Late Night Laughs

Michael T. Martin
Assistant Arts & Entertainment Editor



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When I was asked to choose this week's Entertainer of the Week, there was one clear choice: the legendary former host of *The Tonight Show*, Johnny Carson.

Like me, you've probably grown tired of current *Tonight Show* host Jay Leno's O.J. Simpson and Barney the Dinosaur jokes, and like any good young person, you probably choose to watch David Letterman and Conan O'Brien. To this day, however, Leno's ratings rule because of Carson's *Tonight Show* legacy. It isn't easy to make people laugh late at night. Don't believe me? Three words: *The Magic Hour*. Remember *The Chevy Chase Show*? How about Joan Rivers, or Sinbad on *Vibe*? Worse yet, anyone remember *The Whoopi Goldberg Show*? Even talented comedians can't make the late-night gig work. It takes a special person to be both devilishly funny and charming enough to make people not want to roll over and go to sleep. Everybody remembers Johnny Carson!

Probably only a few students now at MSU stayed up late to catch Carson on NBC, as he left the show in May, 1992. But everyone's probably seen the infomercials advertising the video collection of his greatest moments from his 30-year tenure as the Late Night king. More than that, chances are your parents have recalled, with fondness, memorable skits and guests from his show. Appearances on Carson skyrocketed the once-fledgling careers of comedians like Roseanne, Jerry Seinfeld, Ellen DeGeneres, Letterman, and Leno.

Carson's Midwestern sensibility mixed well with his dry wit. He never seemed cranky like Letterman or too vanilla like Leno. He comforted viewers because he laughed with them. Carson's legacy reflects a time when having class was valued and laughter existed for laughter's sake. He was the consummate entertainer — he just made people happy. Goodnight to our ENTERTAINER OF THE WEEK!!!

John Legend in The Making

Accomplished Musician Composes a Modern Soul Triumph

Michael T. Martin
Assistant Arts & Entertainment Editor

Get Lifted

John Legend
Columbia Records

★★★★★



John Legend has worked with many critically and commercially successful R&B/hip-hop stars, and now he steps out on his own with his debut, *Get Lifted*. As pianist, vocalist and co-producer, Legend shows promise that his career may live up to his self-given stage name. Although his songs are simplistic — at times the lyrics are downright elementary and the melodies uninvolved — the end results are mostly satisfying. This is because Legend excels at conveying very distinctive moods in his songs, thanks to his thoughtful vocal phrasing and well-chosen musical accompaniment.

“On ‘It Don’t Have to Change,’ Legend’s family joins him in a fun and affecting sing-a-long about the supreme love of family...[The song] will leave listeners wanting to hear it again and again.”

“I Used to Love U” is *Lifted*’s superb first single, produced by Kanye West. Legend sings facetiously to his gold-digging girlfriend, “Maybe I should rob somebody/so we could live like Whitney and Bobby/It’s probably my fault, my bad, my loss/that you are above cost/and all I can do is love you.” Legend’s piano playing creates a subtle tension as the bass line grooves beneath the harmonies and provocative lyrics. As the song fades out, a chorus of Legend’s harmonies sings in a stac-



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John Legend not only sings and plays piano, he co-produces most of the tracks on *Get Lifted*, proving that he’s serious about living up to his name.

cato falsetto, “I used to love you...but I don’t love you.” This fun detail wraps up what is an impeccable urban male kiss-off anthem.

The melody of “She Don’t Have to Know” slinks along, reflecting very well the lyrics about a couple hiding from their significant others. Despite the tale of adultery, when Legend sings, “Oh, I feel sorry for mistakes we’ve made/but there’s no reason that we should tell her today/She don’t have to know, she don’t have to know,” his soulful delivery manages to evoke a bittersweet sympathy from the listener. Meanwhile, the instrumental break effectively showcases the trombone and Moog Bass, which grants an appropriate heaviness to the sticky situation Legend

describes.

“I Can Change” finds Legend trying to make amends for his previous wrongdoings. The song is an example of the simplistic formula not working too well. The chorus is too repetitive, melodically and lyrically, to be interesting. With the vow to “get baptized if you want it” and the inclusion of a gospel choir, Legend’s vow to rectify himself is overblown and wholly unconvincing. Conversely, guest-collaborator Snoop Dogg kicks an entertaining — if not genuine — game, saying, “You make me wanna lay down the pimpin’ and step my love game up.” Oh, for rizzle?

“Number One” is a paradox in which the bouncy exuberance of an old-school Curtis Mayfield jam is mixed with a blunt lyrical defense of Legend’s cheating habits. After a few bars of sweet strings, Legend unexpectedly begins, “Now you can’t say that I don’t love you/just because I cheat on you/ ‘Cause you can’t see all I do/to keep you from knowin’ the things I do.” Track producer West further adds to the absurdity, rapping, “I told you my heart don’t have nothin’ to do with my penis...I know he loves you, he told me you was his favorite.” The hook, while lyrically disingenuous, is undeniably catchy thanks to the strings and (strangely) happy female background singers. Thus, Legend creates his first guilty pleasure.

Legend sounds sweetly exhausted from his experiences of love and lust on “Ordinary People,” a track in which he makes a plea to “take it slow” as he enters into a new relationship. Besides “Used to Love U,” it is the most compelling song on the album. Legend masterfully wrings emotion out of even the most trite lyrics, and as he sings, “As our love



courtesy of mtv.com

John Legend rocks the crowd for MTV as he showcases several soulful tracks off his well-done solo debut, *Get Lifted*.

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Closer Driven by Strong Dialogue

Kadijah Basir
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Closer

Dir. Mike Nichols
Starring Natalie Portman, Jude Law,
Julia Roberts

★★★★

A script-driven romantic drama, *Closer* is undeniably full of charisma and has a very intense quality that keeps a consistent pace throughout the film. In today's society, most movies without an action or a strong sex scene never get much recognition

"The film somehow feels more like a stage production than a movie. Everything about the movie is purely language-driven. To understand the movie you really have to pay attention to what they are saying and how they are saying it."

or hype. However, this movie had something about it that grabbed my attention. Maybe it was the beautiful looking cast, or its romantic



Julia Roberts (Anna) plays a photographer opposite Jude Law (Dan) and Clive Owen (Larry) in an emotional love triangle.

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location, London. Whatever it was, it definitely worked. The movie, based on Patrick Marber's play, portrays the never-ending battle of love, lust, and loss. The four main characters go the whirlwind cycle of wanting what they cannot have and getting what they don't want. Dan (Jude Law) is an obituary

journalist-turned-novelist who meets an ex stripper, Alice (Natalie Portman), in a freak accident. They quickly become infatuated with each other. But as the dialogue moves,

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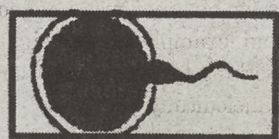
advances/we take second chances/Though it's not a fantasy/I still want you to stay," it is apparent he is a more than capable singer. His reserved piano-playing serves well to create a balance between vocals and instrumentation. The universal appeal of the song makes it an instant pop classic.

Legend's quiet storm continues in the otherworldly "So High," as he sings, "Baby, we're so high/walking on cloud nine...when the morning comes, we'll see the sun is not so far/And we can't get much closer to God than where we are." His scratchy tenor eases into a yearning falsetto. The lush "Refuge (When It's Cold Outside)" utilizes vocal harmonies, keyboards, and guitar to charming effect.

On "It Don't Have to Change," Legend's family joins him in a fun and affecting sing-along about the supreme love of family. The opening male harmonies and piano will warm up listeners like a blazing fireplace. Although the refrain's lyrics are beyond old-school ("times is hard and things are a-changin'" - what is this, 1918?) and the vocal arrangement is a little too conservative (the family doesn't get to throw down), the sentiment, as well as the brevity of the song, will leave listeners wanting to hear it again and again.

Legend's music doesn't suggest a persona with much conviction: content-wise, he's all over the place, from being the casual and smug adulterer of "Alright" to the spiritual lover of "So High." Musically, however, he knows how to elevate songs that, in less accomplished hands would be quite, well, ordinary.

Legend's debut is not quite a soul music revelation, but it has numerous solid tracks that show evidence of the stuff that, ahem, legends are made of.



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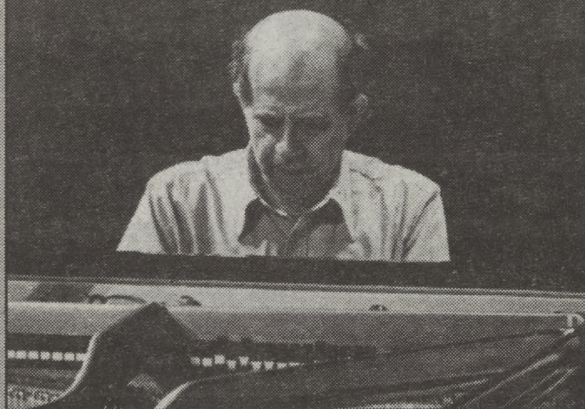
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so do the years, and Dan soon crosses paths with a photographer, Anna (Julia Roberts). He senses a unique attraction to both her external and internal beauty within a few moments of meeting her. It could possibly be the fact that he is involved with someone else that makes him all the more attracted to her. He continues to pine for her attention, and gets it by devising several clever plots. But a practical joke he makes backfires on him as he tries to set up Anna on an internet blind date with the doctor, Larry (Clive Owen). Larry later becomes an important character in the movie as he and Anna develop serious inmate relationship. *Closer* somehow feels more like a stage production than a movie.

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Everything about the movie is purely language-driven. To understand the movie you really have to pay attention to what they are saying and how they are saying it. Because the movie is spun throughout a four-year timeline, there are a few critical points where significant moments exist.

The two couples rarely interact with one another, but this later becomes quite relevant to the plot. The one and only time the two women in Dan's life meet, Alice is a victim of heartache as she senses him drifting away towards Anna. Portman really explores another side of her talent as Alice in this film.

In the first scene, Alice is strolling in slow motion to Damien Rice's "Can't Take My Eyes Off You," and it is instantly known that she is a key factor in the movie. Here, she seems a kind of carefree wanderer, moving wherever her feeling and emotions bring her. Even for all the intensity and drama the plot created, it did lack a feeling of love for the characters. They all just seemed dazed and somewhat cold to have emphasized so whole-heartedly their love for one another in their ping-pong love affairs.

Even though the connection they have with one another is what makes them closer, it is also what forces them apart. To constantly put their love on the line, they continually search for that someone they can feel completely close to.



Alice (Natalie Portman) and Dan (Jude Law) embrace each other as they end their emotional roller coaster of a relationship.

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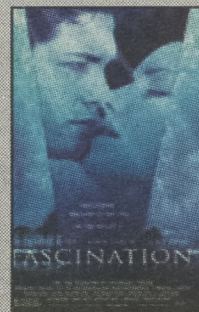
Movie Releases



Alone in the Dark

Dir. Uwe Boll

Starring Christian Slater, Tara Reid, Stephen Dorff



Fascination

Dir. Klaus Menzel

Starring Jacqueline Bisset, Adam Garcia, Stuart Wilson

Album Releases

Alternative Rock



Ani Di Franco

Knuckle Down

Dance & DJ



The Chemical Brothers
Push the Button

Concerts & Theater

Thursday 27

Jason Moran - Jazz Standard
Kenny Wayne Shepherd - Bowery Ballroom

Friday 28

Marlena Shaw - Au Bar
Jack O'Hara - Lucille @ B.B. Kings
Ellie Lawson - The Crypt

Saturday 29

Lotus - Tribeca Rock Club
Roberta Flack - B.B. King's Blue Club
Kristen Hersh - Joe's Pub

Sunday 30

Popa Chubby - B.B. King's Blue Club
The Stands - Bar 13

Monday 31

Chris Whitley - Knitting Factory

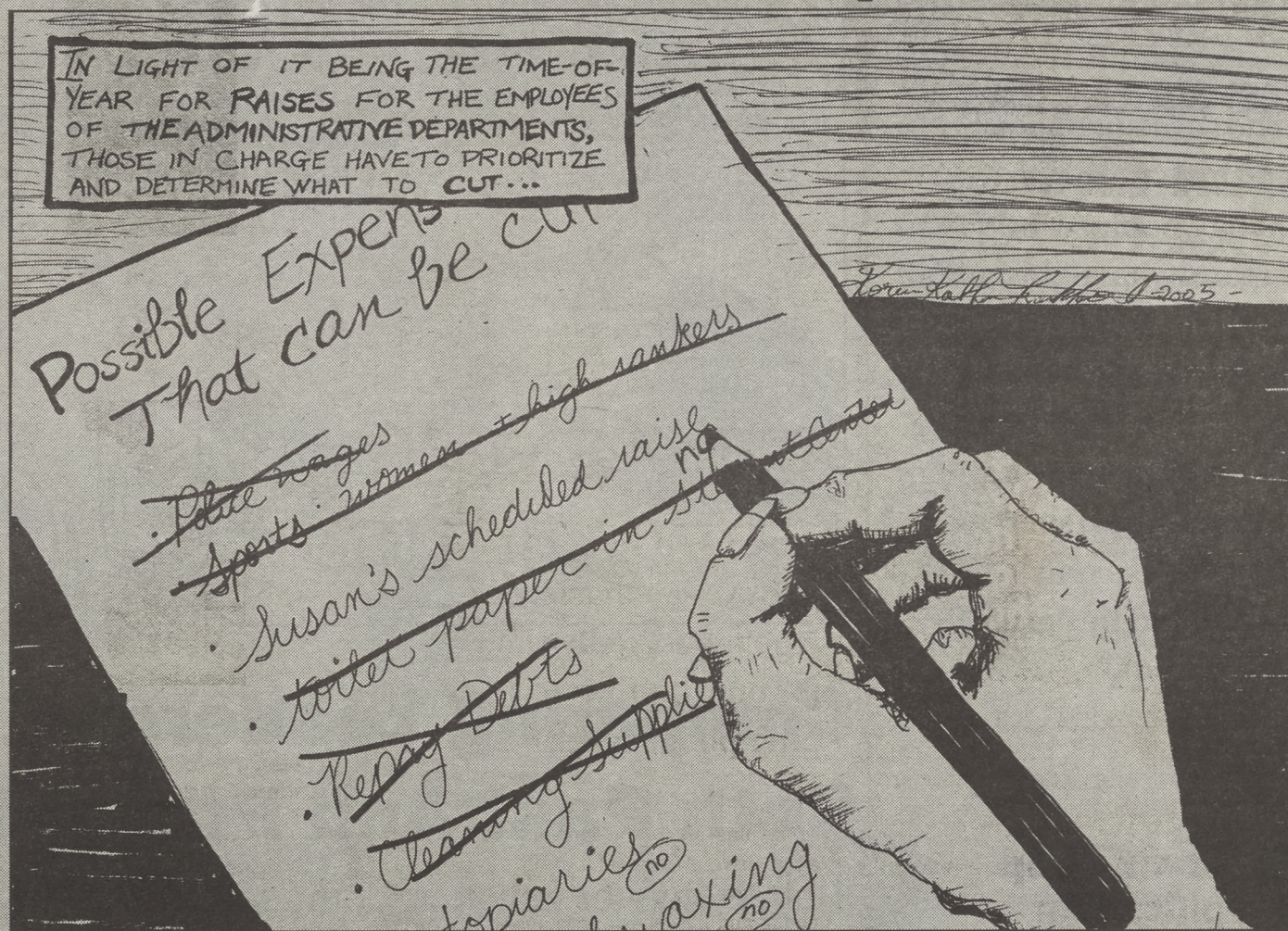
Tuesday 1

Chick Corea - Blue Note
Kaki King - Knitting Factory
Arcade Fire - Webster Hall

Wednesday 2

The Zutons, The Redwalls - Hammerstein Ballroom

Crossed Off Competition



Koren Frankfort | The Montclarion

Outrage is the vocabulary word of choice this week for athletes and many students across campus, in particular those whose sports programs were pulled out from under them in light of Montclair State University's athletic budget cutbacks. The respected programs of wrestling, men and women's cross country, women's tennis and men's lacrosse have all been axed, as MSU cites budget concerns, in an effort to fortify such existing sports as football.

Assuming that these five teams are cut, that will bring the grand total to seven teams in the last three years, and as MSU vies for collegiate respect across the country, the dwindling number of sports programs does little to enhance their reputation. Moreover, this does not forebode well for other smaller-market sports like volleyball, field hockey and women's lacrosse, as they must be pondering their own future stability on campus.

The school claims that this is merely a "reclassification" of varsity teams to club sports. However, club sports cannot compete for national titles, and must raise their own funds for operation. An example being the hockey team, which needs \$1,650 per player to operate.

In other news, following her "Educator of the Year" award, Susan Cole has received a \$29,000 raise, bringing her current salary to \$250,000. For comparison purposes, that raise, spread over the course of 10 years (\$290,000), would provide enough money for

"...it would appear that their fate has been sealed."

the operating budgets of men's lacrosse, women's tennis, and wrestling combined for eight years.

In absence of the endangered five, MSU would save an approximate \$60,000, not including the salaries of the coaching staff (all five sports feature part-time coaches). Nevermind that the four wrestling coaches have all offered to defer their payments to the students, in an effort to keep their sport alive; Holly Gera, the director of Athletic Development has stated that "the wheels have already been set into motion." Unless the teams can suddenly find upwards of \$1 million to offer the school, it would appear that their day is over.

But the sentiments of the student body rests with them, and the last viable option for these athletes is to not allow themselves to roll over but to continue on the fight, holding their ground in the face of looming extinction. After all, what are sports without a little melodrama now and then?

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Stating Preference for Reference

When It Comes to Placing Roommates, Sexual Identity Should Be Addressed

Is today's politically correct society going too far? Have we gone beyond the point of being nice and ventured into the territory of just ignoring people's opinions and preferences altogether? Too many of today's institutions and organizations have adopted the philosophy of "don't ask, don't tell."



JOSH
CAVILEER
COLUMNIST

And yes, in some cases this policy is a great way to eliminate the discrimination of others. In experiencing a new place, where everyone and everything is new to you, having a roommate with a similar personality would be helpful for a more fluid transition into the college lifestyle.

I'm coming up on my three-year anniversary of coming out of the closet. One of my roommates is coming into his second anniversary. Yes, you read that correctly. I have another gay roommate. But, that's

"The only preferences as a student that we have for a roommate are if they smoke, enjoy studying in the room, and if they go to bed early."

not the end of the story. I also have a third roommate. He is straight. Imagine yourself a heterosexual male stuck in a room with two very gay men. Might you feel uncomfortable, out of place, and just a little uneasy? I know I would feel the same way in the opposite situation. This can't be avoided though.

The only preferences as a student that we have for a roommate are if they smoke, enjoy studying in the room, and if they go to bed early. There is no check box to indicate a preference for your roommate's sexuality.

I remember looking down the list at what my preferences were for a roommate. Non-smoker, stays up late, studies in room, all the qualities I would hope for in the perfect

roommate. At the time, whether or not he was gay or straight was of no concern. But, when I moved in problems began arising. My roommate is your stereotypical jock. He has a trophy girlfriend and God forbid if he runs into a homosexual - he acts as if you don't exist.

So when he found out that both my roommate and I were gay, all we got was the usual barrage of questions: "Is it okay to use the word gay? I don't mean like you gay, I mean like, that's dumb gay." To which my roommate and I responded with "yeah, sure." I wasn't personally offended when he used it.

I was more offended by the fact that he had to ask me to use it in the first place. I want someone to be perfectly comfortable around me

at all times and not have to worry whether or not the words that are flying out of their mouth are offensive or not. If they are offensive I will let you know.

These uncomfortable situations are why I am pleading my case for sexual preference to be a choice in our selection of a roommate. College is meant to be about meeting and experiencing new people and cultures. But whoever said it had to be about being uncomfortable?

When people receive the packet about their room and roommates, there should be a question that states, "Do you have a preference for your roommate's sexuality?" Not that they will always be able to match you up with someone who is your preference, but it feels better knowing that they at least know what they would like to have.

Josh Cavileer, an English and political science major, is in his first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

Objections to Evolution Have No Place in Class

Religious Sentiments on Trial in Georgia Case

It feels like we take a step forward and then a step back, then finally a small step forward with every one of these cases that come up. I'm speaking of the recent lawsuit in Georgia where the Cobb County Board of Education slapped a sticker on all their biology books that reads, "This textbook contains material on evolution. Evolution is a theory, not a fact, regarding the origin of living things. This material should be approached with an open mind, studied carefully, and critically considered."



JASON CARONNA
COLUMNIST

That statement is highly questionable for many reasons, but mainly because it is absurdly redundant to put a sticker on a book claiming that a theory is only a theory, and that it should be carefully considered.

Theories are not laws and should be carefully considered anyway. The American Civil Liberties Union who brought up the lawsuit argued even further saying that everything they learn in school should be carefully considered and approached with an open mind.

How awful would it be if everyone took all the things they have ever learned in a western civilization course to heart? The same people who put that sticker on the biology books would certainly have thrown an even bigger fit if people from the scientific community put a sticker on history books stating, "Christianity, Islam, and Judaism, are only beliefs and should be carefully considered!" In this context it becomes quite apparent that any sticker of this nature for any book is just ridiculous.

But what troubles me, perhaps moreso, is the fact that this is not the first time we have seen a trial like this. In fact, if you have ever picked up a history book, there is actually a very old case way back in the 1900's where a group of the same people fought a similar case, but referred to it by the name of Darwinism. The other interesting question this raises is whether or not they even read history books in places like Cobb County, Georgia.

We know they are not inclined enough to understand the concept of a theory seeing how they placed a sticker exclaiming the fundamental nature of theories on the inside cover of their biology books. Which is made only more ironic by the fact that fundamentalists do not know the fundamental nature of something as basic as a theory.

It does make one wonder what it is they teach down there. This is, after all, the Georgia Board of Education we're talking about (comprised of adults mind you), that put this sticker on these biology books. Did they really not know about that famous case from so many years ago? Did they think that if they just waited a while and then brought the case up again, it might miraculously come out in their favor?

Perhaps I'm not giving them enough credit. It is possible that they do in fact under-

"The same people who put that sticker on the biology books would certainly have thrown an even bigger fit if people from the scientific community put a sticker on history books stating, 'Christianity, Islam and Judaism are only beliefs and should be carefully considered!'"

stand the theory of evolution and they are just trying to prove it wrong by never changing. If they do not read history books, and never give their children a chance to learn the theory, it might be possible that they will never evolve.

Could we just have stumbled on to their master plan for proving Darwin wrong? That is quite a way to go to prove your point. Or maybe it just took them all this time to realize that Darwinism and evolution are practically synonymous. Yeah, I'm going to go with option B, chances are you need to understand what a theory is in general before tackling something as big as Darwinism.

I am not sure if I have ever bumped into a person who truly did not believe that evolution is at least possible. According to recent polls, however, it appears that there are actually more non-believers than there are people who read history books. In our journey through life, I feel it is important to pass on information so that we might one day get off this rock.

So if you happen to stumble upon one of these people, try to explain it to them in a non-threatening way. Ask them if they have ever seen a Dodo bird. Then explain to them that there were other creatures that no longer exist, like dinosaurs.

Once they feel safe in the idea that these animals are out of the gene pool forever, explain this is only part of the theory and that if they still do not wish to believe in the rest of it, it is fine. Encourage them to give reasons why they do not believe, and contribute and change the theory. This is much more effective than simply denying the theory altogether.

Please note that given the nature of these people it is quite possible you will run into one that claims they have seen a Dodo bird, or possibly even dinosaurs. You should prob-

Jason Caronna, an English major, is in his first year as a columnist for The Montclarion.

JUDGE RULES SCHOOL DISTRICT'S TEXTBOOK STICKERS SAYING EVOLUTION IS A 'THEORY, NOT A FACT' ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL



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Comparing Leaders of Both Past And Present

Bush Behavior Invokes Comparisons to RFK

In his inaugural address, President Bush acted like the late Robert Francis Kennedy (RFK) when he asked young people to participate more in society. In his next four years, President Bush should act more like RFK in leading our generation in the War on Terror.

RFK - the brother of the late President John F. Kennedy - was a U.S. Attorney General busting Jimmy Hoffa. He was a New York senator, and a 1968 Democratic Presidential candidate when Sirhan Sirhan assassinated him.

RFK would want young people to debate all aspects of the war. He would understand that - like the Vietnam War - young people cannot naturally reach a consensus about the validity and tactics of engagement of the war.

Like the Vietnam War, he would view it as a good event because society is motivating young people to participate more in politics.

RFK would see that the War on Terror isn't just a war between the United States and the terrorists trying to destroy our democratic principles, freedoms, and liberties.

He would agree that the War on Terror is a war between American youth and terrorists of their own age - a situation requiring all the effort of American youth if the United States wants to win the war.

Unfortunately, society views all young people as selfish, stoned, ignorant, and lazy individuals despite RFK's successful efforts to engage young people in civil and community service programs.

RFK would be furious at society undermining, distorting, and omitting facts of American history and Judeo-Christian

philosophy that provides the basis for the American legal system.

RFK believed that the United States can only survive if young people respect and obey laws, learn American history, and appropriately change society through dissenting against society's evils and taking effective and reasonable actions against them.

Instrumental in launching Martin Luther King, Jr's crusade for civil rights, RFK pursued the protection of children and the equal rights for minorities and women.

RFK would rightfully disagree with the media's shameless willingness to sell graphically explicit sex, the "normalcy" in the excessive use of legal and illegal substances, and the vile degradation and humiliation of women to 12-year-olds.

RFK would battle the media over its glamorizing the violence of ghetto culture - especially in front of minors - because RFK worked to bring corporations and their jobs to urban areas and to combat violence from hurting innocent people there.

In 1967, RFK urged society that "it is vital - for us as much as them - that our young people feel that change is possible, that they will be heard, that the cruelties and follies and injustices of the world will yield, however grudgingly, to the sweat and sacrifice they are so ready to give. If we cannot help open to them this sense of possibility, we will have only ourselves to blame for the disillusionment, danger, for we rely on these young people more than we know... If we look back with pride at the lives we lead, we know above all that we will judge ourselves by the hope and direction we have left behind..."

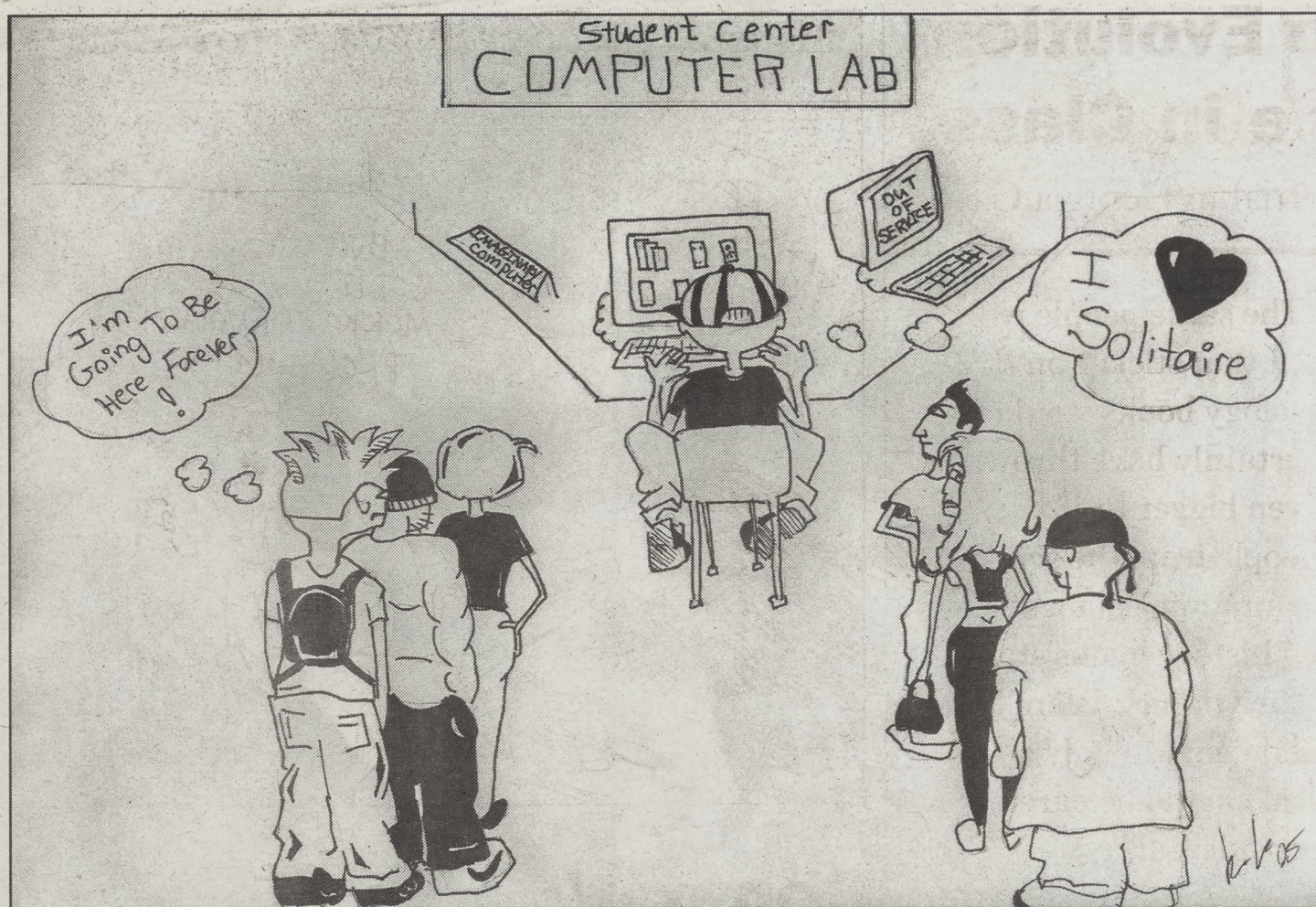
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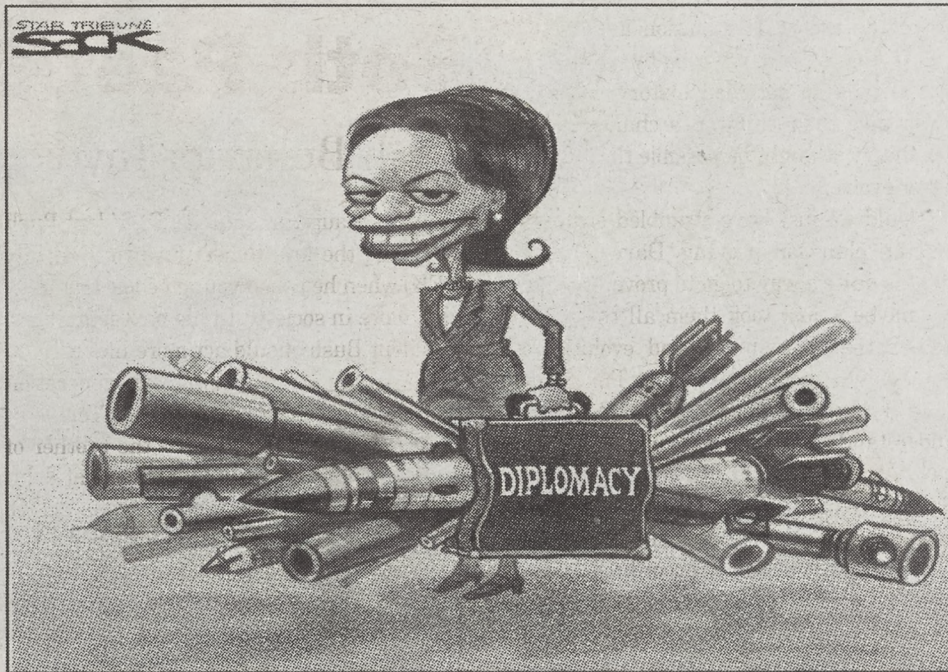


Kirill Leshner | Special to The Montclarion

Statistic of the Week

650

Number of students displaced last week by the Bohn Hall Shutdown



courtesy of KRT Campus

Montclarion Mailbag

Dear Editor,

I can feel nothing but outrage over the recent decision to cut five more sports from the athletic budget. As this year comes to an end, it appears that the storied histories of the wrestling, men's lacrosse, women's tennis, and both men's and women's cross country teams will end as well.

These sports join the growing list of athletic teams cut from the University funding in the past decade. Overall 11 sports have been cut from the athletic budget, which has affected hundreds of student athletes.

Division III student athletes receive no financial aid or benefits from the University. They freely give up their time and energy to represent MSU in various sports and all they ask in return is a place to showcase their hard work and dedication.

Dozens of students come to MSU for the purpose to play on varsity sports and represent the school. Without warning on Thursday these student athletes were told, "Thanks for coming here, but this will be your last season."

I deeply sympathize with these athletes having Montclair cut my sport as well two

years ago without any warning or apology. As the administration plans to make this a "Big University" of over 20,000 students, it appears that athletics doesn't fit into that plan. If we, as a student body, don't raise our voice in outrage, we'll be eliminating one of the proudest and most historic parts of this University.

Steve Wehrle
Former Men's Tennis Player
Physical Education

Dear Editor,

I would like to know why there is not one article about the Montclair State University Red Hawk Swim Team. This year they are having a great season and are currently seven wins and four losses. It seems that you do a great job about wrestling and basketball, but very little about the athletes that are practicing two times a day representing Montclair State in the water.

Sincerely,
Mark D. Gorsky
Parent/teacher/H.S. Swim Coach

Question of The Week

How do you feel about the decision to eliminate the programs for five MSU athletic teams?



ROI KLIPPER

Year: Senior
Major: Marketing

"I think that it's unfair to all students, not just athletes. We are the second largest school in NJ and receive the least amount of funding."



AARON SALMA

Year: Senior
Major: Justice Studies

"This is an embarrassment to be part of this university. Sports are a major part of my life and others at this school."



JOHN VOGEL

Year: Junior
Major: Physical Education

"It is ridiculous that the administration would take the opportunity of participating in NCAA sports away from the students."



RYAN TICE

Year: Senior
Major: Political Science

"Being a lacrosse player, it's hard to take. These actions are just a small part of the big picture."



WAYNE GIANPINO

Year: Sophomore
Major: Justice Studies

"This is a great program. It is really sad that the university cut our team. It is atrocious that we weren't previously contacted."



STEFANIE LEFURGE

Year: Sophomore
Major: History

"Personally, there's no reason for it. People play sports their whole lives and wish to continue in college. It's unacceptable!"



RICHARD TUERO JR.

Year: Sophomore
Major: Adult Fitness

"I feel that cutting these programs was wrong because there is no way money can be an issue. It's not fair to people who came to MSU to play these sports."

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WITHOUT ACTUALLY HAVING TO BE THERE?**



One out of five adults finds themselves as the designated “caregiver” for a loved one who can no longer manage alone. This role can often snowball, weighing heavily on you as you cope with the demands of caregiving. There may be services and organizations right in your parent’s neighborhood that can help when you’re not around. The outcome is better care for your parent, and less anxiety for you. Visit **www.familycaregiving101.org** and discover a world of support, answers and advice – for both of you.



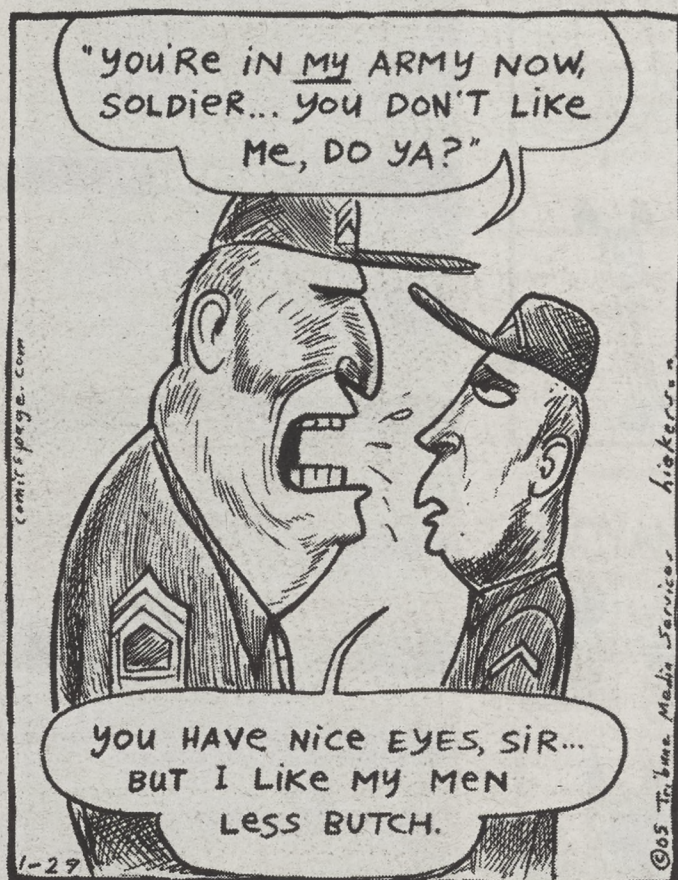
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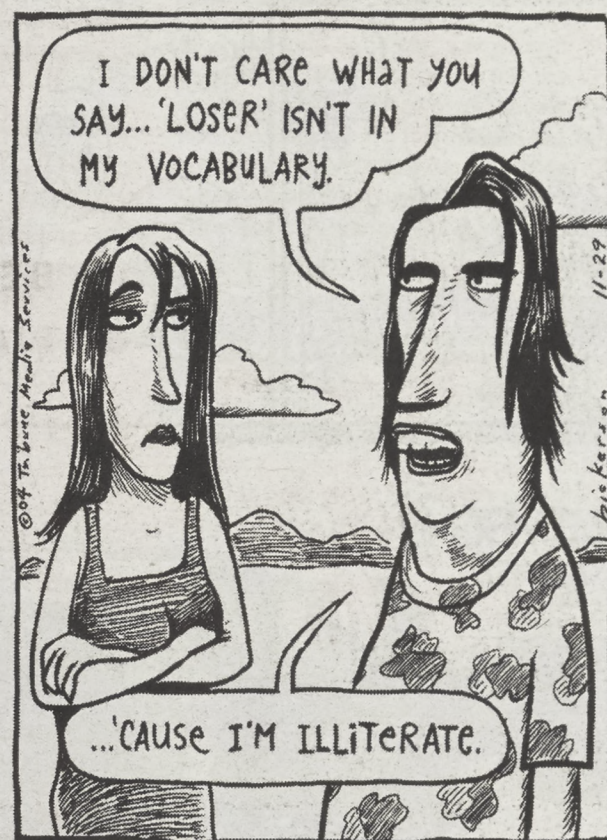
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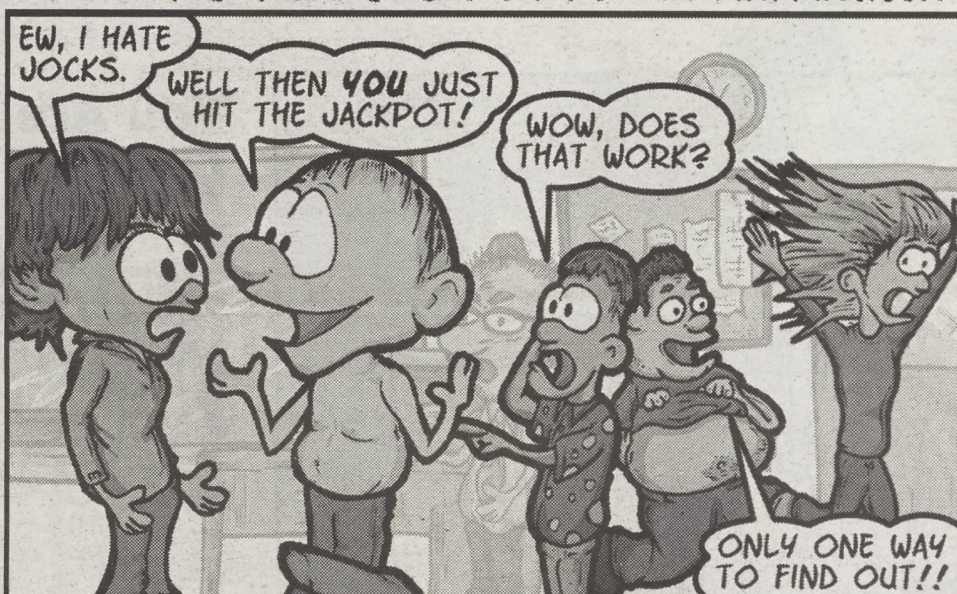
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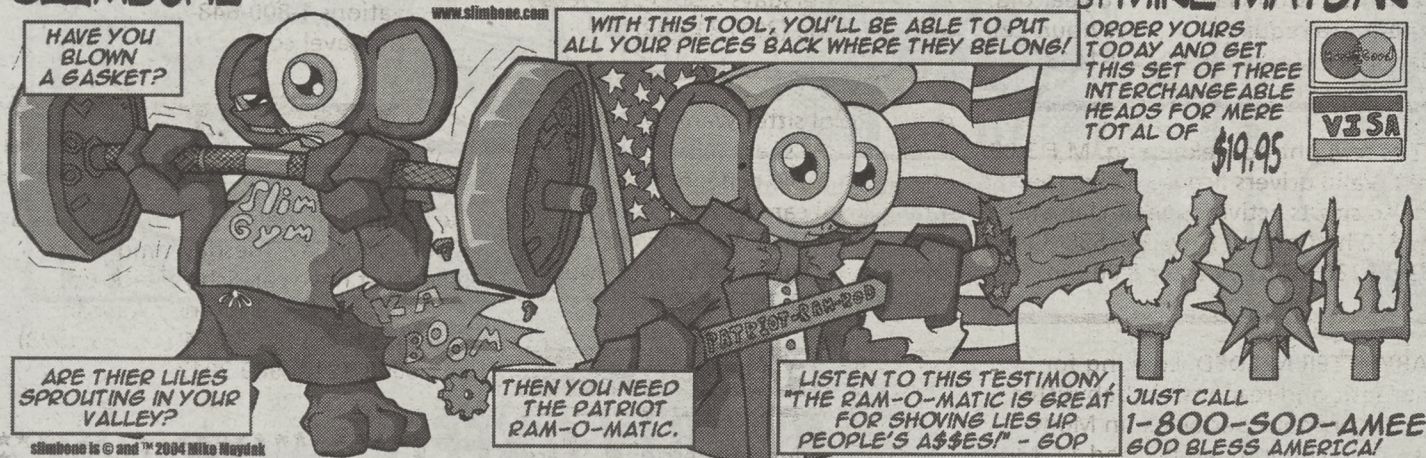
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Captain Hook Junior, **BUSTED!****Are you an artist or cartoonist?**

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Taurus

(April 20 – May 20)

Today is a 5. Add the finishing touches to make your home just the way you want it. Get ready to entertain, so you can do it spontaneously.

Gemini

(May 21 – June 20)

Today is an 8. If you can only learn the language before you go over there, you'll be amazed at how many doors will open. And, yes, you can.

Cancer

(June 21 – July 21)

Today is a 5. Collect as much as you can when the opportunity presents itself. Work quickly, be assertive, and gather up the prize.

Leo

(July 22 – August 21)

Today is an 8. Follow through on the innovations you've recently investigated. You'll get to the part where the money comes in pretty soon, don't worry about that.

Virgo

(August 22 – September 21)

Today is a 5. Follow through on all those promises you've made, one way or another. If you can't pay the debt in full, at least make an installment on it.

Libra

(September 22 – October 22)

Today is an 8. A friend can teach you a couple of things you'll find very useful. You'll be more efficient when you have more technical expertise.

Scorpio

(October 23 – November 21)

Today is a 5. Collect up the little jewels that have been scattered around. Resist the urge to be wasteful. Although there's plenty now, this may have to last you a while.

Sagittarius

(November 22 – December 20)

Today is an 8. You may get the chance to be the voice of objectivity. A couple of people you know are having trouble finding a compromise. Lend your wisdom to those who need some.

Capricorn

(December 21 – January 19)

Today is a 5. Keep looking for bargains in all the like places, including sales at the better stores and catalogues, and even in your own closets. It's not cheating to mend something old.

Aquarius

(January 20 – February 17)

Today is a 6. Somebody else may be able to get through where you've been turned aside. This doesn't need to be a problem. Delegate, and then get on to other things.

Pisces

(February 18 – March 19)

Today is a 4. Concentrate on providing the very best service you can, and do it proudly. You're developing a reputation that's worth more than its weight in gold.

Aries

(March 20 – April 19)

Today is a 9. Meetings should go well and it should be relatively easy to reach consensus. Everybody's in the mood to decide so they can get to work.

Child Care Wanted

Childcare Wanted: Parent of 2.5 year old looking for regular weeknight babysitter 2-3 evenings per week. Own transportation preferred. Child Development or Education majors preferred. Please call (973) 7783-7959

Babysitter needed P/T Tues, Wed & Fri. hours available, in Clifton home for 20-month old. Experience, references, driver's license & car required. Dog friendly a must. \$10/hr. Call Melissa 973-472-3656.

P/T Babysitting Position. Looking for reliable student to supervise two children (9 / 12) Mondays - Fridays 2:45 - 5pm/6pm, (flexible hours/days). Glen Ridge. Drivers license. Supervise homework. \$10/hr. (973) 748-3337

CHILD CARE: Care for two children, ages 5 & 1 on Monday's, Tuesday's and Thursday's in Verona. Early childhood or prior experience a plus. Non-smoker. Call 973-239-4577.

Childcare, light housekeeping, 3 small children, own transportation, English speaking, flexible hours, Non-smoker. Wyckoff, 201-891-2076. References a must.

Childcare PT. M/W 2:30p-6:30pm/ Responsible student wanted to play, help with homework, and drive to some activities. Experience, references and drivers license required. Own transportation preferred. Call Lisa 973-746-5115.

Student wanted for after school care in Montclair. M-Thurs 2:30-6:30 for 2 boys 16 + 12. Homework help, driving, light housework, \$12 per hr + mileage, must have car. Call Caryl or Steve at (973) 746-5177.

Babysitter: 3 hours a week. Some weekends. Montclair. 2 and 6 year old. Experience required. \$10 per hour. Call Mary Kate Mellow (973) 509-1443.

P/T sitter/light housekeeping. M-F 3:00-7:00. Valid drivers license. Drive teen boy to sports activities Montclair/vicinity. \$10/hr. Contact Amy 212 538-8394 (day) 9730509-2284 after 8:00 pm.

BABYSITTER NEEDED. Looking for energetic and responsible babysitter. Two afternoons per week, in Montclair. Two children, ages 7 and 11. Must have own car. Please call 973-744-3759.

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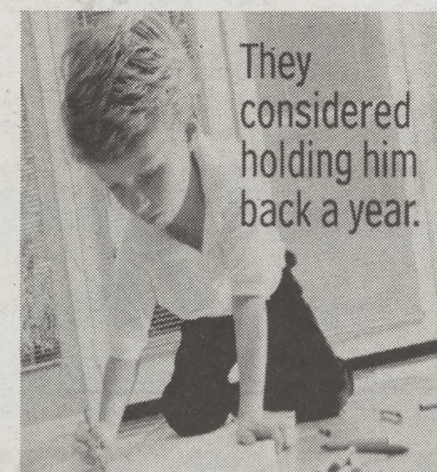
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Red Hawk Spotlight:

Coach Aubrey Lewis Jr. Follows in The Steps of His Father

Miguel Alfaro
Assistant Sports Editor

After the passing of the late Gerald "Bennie" Benson in February of 2004, Montclair State University appointed the genuine Aubrey Lewis Jr. as the head coach of the men's and women's indoor track and field coach.

Lewis has served as an assistant coach on the MSU football team for the past two years and he has also coached on the AAU and Junior Olympic levels.

"The athletic director, Holly Gera, has done everything she said she would as far as upgrading track facilities and working with me in every way possible in order to create a successful program," Lewis said.

Aubrey Lewis' athletic ability goes all the way back to his roots with his father, Aubrey Lewis Sr., who was the greatest football and track athlete to come out of New Jersey. He was recognized by *The Star Ledger* as offensive player of the century, inducted into the New Jersey Hall of Fame, and the National College Hall of Fame.

He attended the University of Notre Dame during the 1950s, where he set the world record in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 49.17. Besides being an All-American in the hurdles, Lewis Sr. was one of the best decathlon athletes of his era.

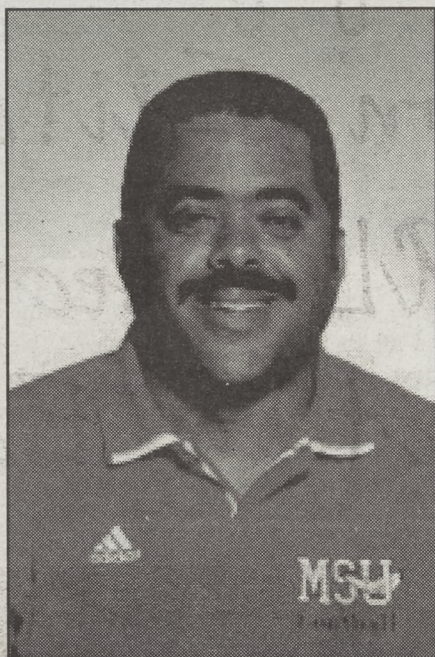
With all of his father's achievements, Lewis Jr. was destined to be an exceptional athlete in football and track. He played football and ran track at Montclair High School, where during his freshman year, running for the first time, he ran a 1:58.00 in the 800-meters and his admiration for track began.

With a magnificent career in high school track, Lewis Jr. received a track scholarship to Eastern Michigan University, where he also played football.

Lewis ran the 400-meter hurdles with a best time of 51.17 and ran an occasional 800-meters with a split of 1:53 on the 4 x 800 relay team.

This team was led by the well-known Earl Jones, Coach Lewis Jr.'s roommate, who held the American record in the 800-meters and went on to win the Bronze Medal in the 1988 Olympics in Los Angeles.

"To be honest, my first love has always been track and field," Lewis Jr. said. "There's no better feeling in the world than when you're in your best condition and your mind and body is in perfect sync with each other the way God made it. It's tough to get there,



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Name: Aubrey Lewis Jr.
Sport: Indoor Track & Field
Position: Head Coach
Experience: First season

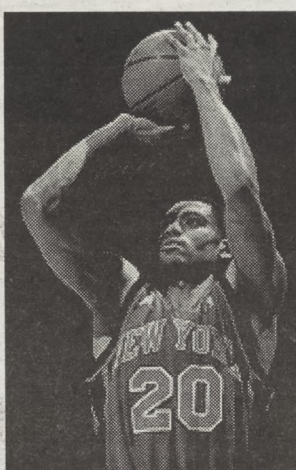
but when you do, amazing things can happen when you put your mind to it."

Lewis Jr. is currently leading the Red Hawk men's and women's track and field team to a new level. For the first time in years, the Red Hawks roster is over 40 athletes.

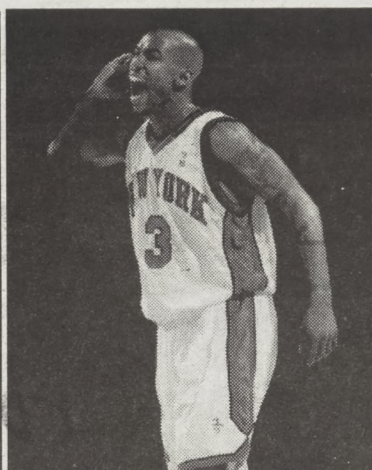
"The track team is alive and well and is continuing to experience growing pains," Lewis Jr. said.

"It's going to be a challenge to try and build the kind of team that can compete for the NJAC Championships, in addition to having the talent to compete on a national level. I want to have motivated runners who are committed to the program, which will give the team the ability to win our conference for the first time ever. That is my goal for MSU track and field," Lewis Jr. said. "At this point, I am trying to rally the team to stay focused and come to practice and train hard. However, track and field is a discipline and you have to have a passion for the sport and the will to want to compete or else it is very easy to become discouraged and throw in the towel."

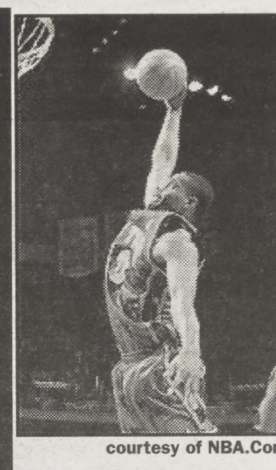
With his dedication and admiration for track and field, MSU's team will definitely be on their way to success.



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Allan Houston (left), Stephon Marbury (middle), and Kurt Thomas (right) have led the Knicks to a 17-24 record, and fourth place in the division.

The Worst Job in Sports

Miguel Alfaro
Assistant Sports Editor

Imagine if you had the highest-winning percentage among NBA coaches and you led the Chicago Bulls and the Los Angeles Lakers to a total of nine championships, would you be interested in coaching a 17 and 24, injury-plagued team? Besides, you have enough money to own a villa in southern France, a waterfront townhouse in southern California, take several months vacation in Australia, and can live out the rest of your days this way.

Well there have been reports in the New York Post that Phil Jackson, who has coached future NBA Hall of Famers such as Michael Jordan, Kobe Bryant, and Shaquille O'Neal, has a desire to coach the New York Knicks. Of course, Jackson might accept a challenge even this daring since he was a former player there. In addition, if he were to succeed in bringing a title to New York, it would complete his basketball legacy because the Knicks haven't won a championship since the 1970s.

If Jackson is interested in coaching the New York Knickerbockers, this would be the best time. General manager, Isaiah Thomas, would probably be looking for a new head coach at some point this season or for the 2005-06 season (if he doesn't step down as GM and take the position himself), since former head coach Lenny Wilkens resigned due to the team's fourth place in the Atlantic Division.

Jackson would definitely have his hands full because the N.Y. Knicks have a tight sal-

ary-cap for the next couple of seasons thanks to former GM, Scott Layden. Furthermore, the Knicks are depleted because of injuries to key players like Jamal Crawford, Allan Houston, Tim Thomas, and Michael Sweetney. When these essential players return, provided that they stay healthy, the Knicks are the fourth or fifth best team in the Eastern Conference.

There have also been many rumors around media headlines that Jackson only takes over the reigns of NBA teams that are already stacked and talented for a championship run. Don't get the wrong idea, I do believe the N.Y. Knickerbockers are capable enough to make a run in the playoffs, but even in the weak Eastern Conference they will not surpass teams like the Pistons, Heat, and Pacers.

How about waiting around to see if Larry Brown is near the end of his run with the Detroit Pistons? Then, he can leap into a championship-caliber team and add to your nine championship rings. With that accomplishment, Jackson would finally surpass the legendary Red Auerbach for most titles in NBA history.

Take this advice Jackson, if you don't want to be another failure in a line of former Knicks coaches: do not take the job! You retired from the game on top and a disappointment as a Knicks coach would only leave an unpleasant mark on your brilliant basketball coaching resume. However, finally taking a possibly playoff-bound team like the Knicks and turning them into a dynasty, would show your critics that you are a true competitor who is ready for any challenge.

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It's Time to Level The Playing Field

Jose Ortiz
Sports Editor

They were the most exciting eight years in baseball history. They will go down in history as the "juice-ball" era, and that's the way it should be, if only out of respect for the past. As bad as it was, the "juice-ball" era is what baseball needed. You have a season with no World Series in 1994, the Yankees weren't winning, teams weren't scoring, and the fans stopped watching.

The world turned its attention to the likes of Michael Jordan, Barry Sanders, Steve Young, and a tractor load of superstars that were bigger than anyone the majors had to offer. So-called "experts" and analysts overlooked the fact that the NBA was in its golden age. "America's Team," the Cowboys, were on top of the world, and even the NHL's Rangers put together an ageless story in 1994. The

point is that baseball was losing.

The "juice-ball" era was the period beginning in 1995, in which players' homerun totals sky-rocketed. From the years 1961 to 1991, only four players had ever hit 50 or more homeruns in a single season. From 1995 through 2003, the feat was accomplished 17 times. This has been said to be due to performance enhancers. While these accusations may be correct, the truth of the matter is that it made for some of the most exciting baseball that we've ever seen.

Of course 2-1 pitcher's duals are fun to watch, but there is also an undeniable thrill that comes from the homerun, the single biggest game-changing play in sports.

This is why steroids should be legalized in baseball, maybe even in all sports.

By legalizing performance enhancers, baseball will level the playing field and it will

no longer be cheating. I'm pretty confident in saying that there are more players than just Jason Giambi, and Barry Bonds who have done, or are currently doing steroids. This means that they have an unfair edge, an edge they wouldn't have if everyone were allowed to do it.

The way it is now, even with MLB's new steroids joke (I mean plan), all that will happen is that new, more advanced enhancers will be designed, and of course they will be untraceable. This is a box that can never be closed for sports. Athletes will continue to use steroids, because the rewards of winning are too high, and the costs of losing too severe. All of the rules that they have in place do nothing more than a parent who isn't home trying to discipline a child.

The major dispute I always hear is that the numbers are tainted when compared

to those of the past. This may be true, but if that were the standard by which we governed statistics then all numbers before the 1920 season should have been thrown out as well. Up until 1920, pitchers would cover baseballs with tobacco juice, and saliva, anything to make it so the batter couldn't see the ball. This would undoubtedly erase more than a few records, and leave the Red Sox with one World Series win, instead of six.

In 1969 the mound was lowered from 15 inches to 10 inches, although players have said that too much is made of this change, one doesn't have to be a physicist to think of the added velocity. Imagine Randy Johnson five inches taller, like a white, skinny Shaquille O'Neal throwing a baseball. You may think that the size of the mound doesn't matter,

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WRESTLING

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agreed to forgo their salaries for the next four years. This is what dedication means to the wrestlers.

No athlete on campus wants to see what is the most decorated sport at MSU, be reclassified to club status. No one wants to see the legacy 29 national champions, the most in Division III history, destroyed because of budget issues.

Even though the match itself was second in interest to the athletes showing their support for the wrestlers, the Red Hawks wiped the floor with Centenary College 43 - 7 on Monday night, and there were over 100 athletes cheering them on.

As the chants from the crowd roared "J-A-K-E, Jake, Jake, Jake," and students wore shirts bearing the words "Save our sports, cut Cole," Jake Beitz overcame a near fall, to earn a pin and capture his 12th victory of the season.

"It makes us feel a bit uneasy," said Stephanie Machin, a Red Hawk women's basketball player. "I'm not sure how much

we can do to help, but what we can do we will try to do."

Becoming a club sport is completely out of the question according to Coach Sabol.

"There are kids here who could wrestle for Division I programs, or at a top Division III program," said Sabol. "Why would they stay here unless it was for a major?"

Ice Hockey is currently a club sport and their players must pay \$1,650 each per season for the right to play. The wrestling team does not wish that same fate.

Wrestling programs throughout the country have gone through these types of things quite frequently since 1972. In that year, Title IX was enacted, and it says that a school must provide athletics for women. Since this law doesn't supply the necessary funding to do this, many wrestling teams have been sacrificed.

Since 1972, 442 wrestling programs have been cut. Although this is not a Title IX situation, if the University gets its way, that number will rise to 443.

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currently supporting 21 athletic teams.

Although the Red Hawk team has made out petitions, contacted congressmen, and sat in meeting after meeting with school officials, no dollar amount to save the team has been established. It has been made clear, that saving one team without all five is out of the question.

Greco has but one thought in his mind, and that is winning. He doesn't care that the school has found his team expendable, and it certainly isn't on his mind that Athletic Director Holly Gera has made it very clear that, "the wheels have already been set in motion."

"The decision comes from the top, and that's all there is to it," said Greco. "We are just going to play out the season, and do whatever it takes to have the best year possible."

Not everyone can be as stoic as Greco.

"The school has enough money to pay for new academic buildings," said Klipper. "But not enough money to pay for our athletic

facilities."

The players already pay for much of their equipment, so losing school funding by dropping down to club sport status shouldn't hurt the team too much. A team member has already said that he'd rather play for the women's lacrosse team than play club lacrosse. Not being able to compete on a championship level equates to playing backyard football.

John Della Pesca, a Red Hawk who is currently on pace to break the school scoring record for lacrosse, was a bit upset to find that he will not get to go down as anything more than a member of the team that was dropped.

"We used to play for the MSU logo," said Della Pesca. "Now we are playing for ourselves."

Losing the lacrosse team will not only be a loss to Gondres, Klipper, Greco, and the rest of the men's lacrosse team, it will be a tragedy for the entire MSU sports community.

A Modern Day Dynasty in The Making

Patriots on Their Way to Third Super Bowl in Four Years, And Fifth One Overall

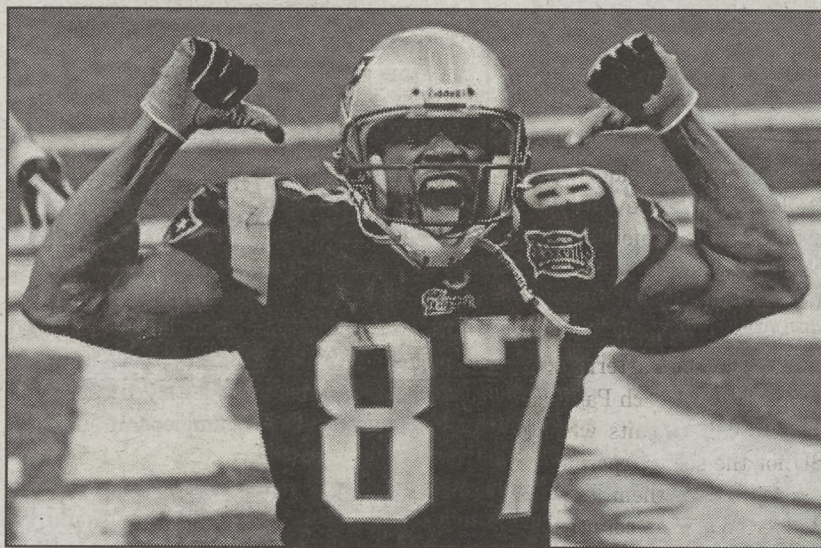
Rob MacKerchar
Staff Writer

With the Patriots heading to their third Super Bowl in four years, everyone is talking about Bill Belichick's freshly formed dynasty. The most amazing thing, in most people's eyes anyway, is the construction of a dynasty despite the parity throughout the NFL.

With the salary cap and medical technology that enables players like Brett Favre to play into their late 30s and beyond, building a dynasty is next to impossible. Really, though, when it comes down to it, the New England Patriots have won so much because they're a team of selfless players. The two teams headed to Jacksonville are there because players were willing to sacrifice ego and money for a plane ticket to sunny Florida.

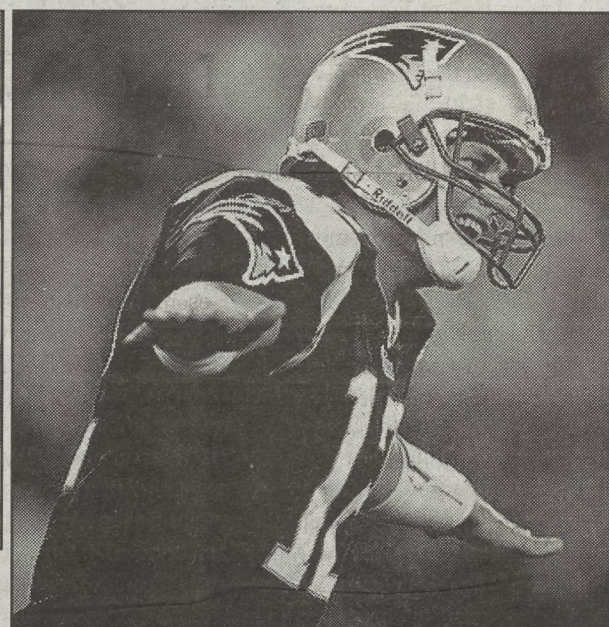
That's true of nearly any sport (except baseball, where George Steinbrenner's solution to a slipping record is to throw money at whatever aging superstar is available). The L.A. Lakers won three consecutive NBA championships in dominating fashion, losing only one game in the entire 2000 Playoffs. Their only downfall was the off-court bickering of Kobe and Shaq. The end result was that management took Kobe Bryant's side and now Shaq is busy rebuilding a dynasty in Miami (with Wayne Wade, who knows how to pass the ball...).

Tom Brady has a perfect record in playoff competition; we all know that. What very few pay attention to is his answer in every press conference as to why he's so successful in the playoffs. He never takes credit for his superb play. Brady always answers by spreading around the credit to his entire team and coaching staff. Guys like Rodney Harrison and Corey Dillon signed with the



courtesy of NFLfans.com

David Givens (top) and Tom Brady (right) have helped the New England Patriots to their second straight Super Bowl.



courtesy of Sun-Sentinel.com

Patriots to win a championship, not bring in the big bucks.

They knew that San Diego and Cincinnati weren't going to bring them a Lombardi trophy anytime soon, so they accepted a role, as every one of the New England Patriots has, and they're one win away from another Super Bowl victory. Rosevelt Colvin went from being a starter and near Pro Bowler in Chicago to a backup for McGinest and Vrabel; he's accepted his role without any complaints. The Eagles have had their share of selfless players too. Jeremiah Trotter came back to Philly after leaving two years ago for more money; he's playing this year for pennies because he understood that to make things right and find a spot, he'd have to take a financial hit. After working his way up through special teams, he's now the starter at middle linebacker and made another Pro Bowl.

Hugh Douglas will return to Jacksonville, the team that signed him as a free agent after his successful first stint in Philly, as a benchwarmer playing for near the league minimum.

Every team working under a salary cap has to let a player go at one point or another for monetary reasons. Those players that can put aside their pride and accept less money are the ones that will be rewarded with a ring.

Dominik Hasek did it in Detroit, Robert Horry did it in San Antonio and L.A., and several players are doing it in New England and Philadelphia. The Patriots are playing in their third Bowl because they take the field (and are announced) as a team.

To stay competitive, other players and teams will have to start taking the same approach, and I say that's good for the game.

The Paper Champion NY Mets

Mike Johnson
Staff Writer

This off-season brings up many questions to baseball fans. The number one concern is the question of the athletes' performances. With the now extinct usage of steroids, will the homerun numbers decline, or will they finally level off and end the never-ending roller coaster of stats? Random drug tests will finally put a seal of approval for fair play on the MLB logo.

The next big concerns, primarily for our area, are the new additions to our beloved Yankees and Mets. With the Yankee lineup

looking virtually the same as the '04 team, but pitching rotation different, their chances are still as good as usual to win the title. This year, though, would be sweetest of all. The Mets, whose lineup and pitching staff have been turned into World Series contenders, have one of the best looking teams on paper due to their new general manager, Omar Minaya.

News Flash:

World Series history will be in New York in '05. No, that's not a prediction, and I'm not even talking about the Yankees. First baseman, Doug Mientkowitz, has been traded

from the Boston Red Sox to the New York Mets for a minor leaguer. Mientkowitz possesses one of the most sacred relics in Red Sox history. He has the baseball with which the last out was made in the '04 World Series against the St. Louis Cardinals. He refuses to give the ball to the Red Sox organization, so I guess we can now chalk this up to another New York victory over Boston. Our new, drug free, steroid-free teams give New York and New Jersey residents a lot to look forward to. Not to mention, *we have the ball Boston!* So don't sweat it baseball fans.

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The decision also included the consideration of each team's facility demands, equipment costs, and travel expenses, said Gera. In addition, the University looked to similar local teams in order to determine prospective competition abilities within each sport's conference.

Currently, many of the athletes are purchasing their own equipment. "I have bought all of my equipment," said John Della Pesca, junior lacrosse player. "Everything I wear on the field, I own."

"As a University, it is our job to provide necessary equipment to our athletes," said Pennington. "I think it is wrong for athletes to have to support their own sport."

Two years ago, golf and men's tennis were dropped from the athletic program, making them the first two sports to be cut in a three-year time span. A complete review of the athletic department, which led to the change, began in late September.

As a club sport, teams would not be permitted to compete for a National Championship. Wrestling alone has broken a Division III record by winning 29 individual National Championships, and 99 All Americans.

"If it wasn't for wrestling, I wouldn't have my job," said Rami Ratel, Assistant Wrestling coach and former national 2003 champion. "I would never have graduated college. The decision has ruined lives. Wrestling isn't just a sport for us. It's a way of life."

SPORTS TRIVIA QUESTION

Who holds the MLB record for the most career no-hitters?

LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Who holds the NFL single season rushing record?

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S QUESTION

Erick Dickerson holds the record with 2,105 yards.

STEROIDS

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but consider that in 1963 Sandy Kauffax was one of two players to win 25 games, he only lost five, and his ERA was 1.88. The impressive thing is that wasn't even his best season. Pitchers don't put up numbers like that anymore, but in the 1960s, if a pitcher's ERA wasn't in the low threes, he wasn't that great. Now any season under a four in ERA is considered a good one, and pitchers barely complete five games. Back then, to complete 10 games was an average season. Imagine that.

The point is that the numbers have always been slanted, and they will continue to be.

Steroids have been just an evolution of the game.

Just like weight training, smaller parks, and weaker pitching staffs, the game changes. Although morally speaking, I know that it probably doesn't look that good to have your players all juiced up, but let's assume that a few rule changes won't stop everyone. What happens when the next steroid is invented? Homeruns will continue to garner fans, and that just means more money, and exciting baseball.

I'm sure the owners won't have a problem with that.

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defiance of an administration determined to make this season their last.

"Sports like mine [swimming], we are never safe," said President of the student athlete council (TALON) Mark Jamieson. "We are an individual sport, when five teams get cut, we can never feel safe."

Men's tennis, and golf were cut two years ago, and both Pennington and Gera said that this was a decision made to ensure that no future cuts will ever be made. The school was supporting 21 varsity sports with a budget of \$455,000 taken from the U.S. Department of Education.

"We want to get smaller, to get leaner, to get better," said Pennington. "We are hoping

that some of the sports will go club."

Club sports do not have the opportunity to compete for national, or conference championships. Nor do they have the chance to be awarded with All-American honors.

Not only will MSU be losing cross country, they will be losing a coach in Pasternack with over 30 years experience. Coach Pasternack has already had to call recruits who were coming to MSU for the sole purpose of running long distance, and let them know that there will no longer be a cross country team on the varsity level.

"What the university doesn't realize is that they are ruining lives," said Assistant Coach Rami Ratel.

Red Hawk Tidbit

The highest scoring basketball player in MSU history is Carol Blazejowski, averaging 31.7 ppg. She totalled over 3,000 career points. No other player has ever scored over 2,000.

Men's Basketball

	NJAC	Overall
Ramapo	7-1	13-2
MSU	5-2	10-5
TCNJ	6-3	13-5
Kean	5-4	11-6
Rowan	4-4	9-6
William Paterson	4-5	12-5
Rutgers-Newark	3-4	10-5
Richard Stockton	3-6	8-9
Rutgers-Camden	0-8	2-15

This Week

Saturday @ Rutgers-Newark
Wednesday vs. Ramapo

Last Week's Results

1/19 - MSU 83, Kean 69

Women's Basketball

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TCNJ	8-1	13-3
Richard Stockton	7-2	12-6
William Paterson	5-4	8-8
Rutgers-Newark	4-4	11-5
MSU	4-4	9-6
Rowan	4-4	9-7
Kean	3-6	6-12
Ramapo	2-6	6-9
Rutgers-Camden	1-7	6-11

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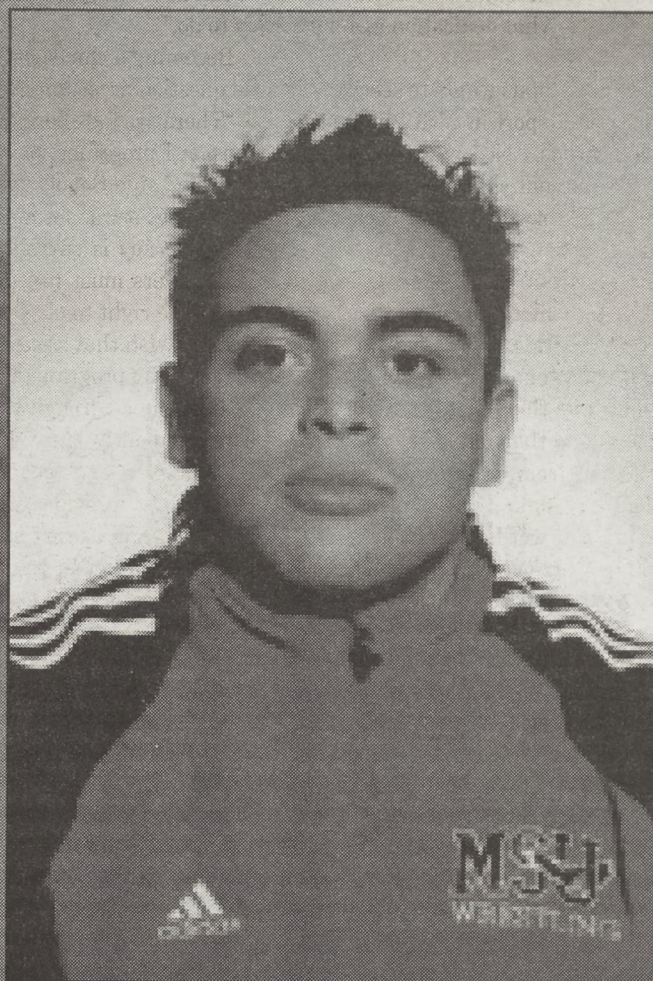
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Player of The Week

DANNY DEJESUS WRESTLING



Senior

Hometown: Perth Amboy, NJ

DeJesus posted an 11-3 major decision in a victory over Centenary.

Honorable Mentions

BASKETBALL



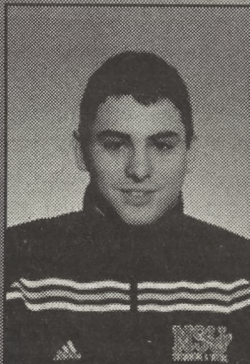
JESSICA GARRABRANT

Freshman

Hometown: Denville, NJ

Garrabrant recorded 10 points and 10 rebounds in a comeback win over Kean.

SWIMMING



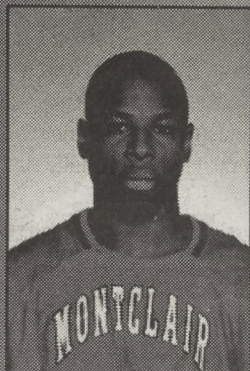
MATT GUIDI

Freshman

Hometown: Phillipsburg, NJ

Guidi won the 50-meter freestyle against Vassar.

BASKETBALL



LAMONT NEWELL

Senior

Hometown: Lodi, NJ

Newell was named NJAC Player of the Week.

BASKETBALL



MICHELLE MADEJ

Freshman

Hometown: Morris Plains, NJ

Madej posted 11 points and 3 steals in a win over Kean.



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Moving On in The Wake of University Decision

Jose Ortiz
Sports Editor

Just a week ago, cross country coach Joel Pasternack was hard at work recruiting players for the 2005 season. Then, he heard the news.

In what Athletic Director, Holly Gera, called "the first step to help make an overall improvement in the program," Montclair State University has decided to cut wrestling, men's and women's cross country, men's lacrosse, and women's tennis from the varsity sports program.

"What we're looking to do is to reclassify the varsity sports to club sports," said Gera. However Pasternack, and wrestling coach Joe Sabol, both agreed that club sports never do that well in a University, at least not one going backwards.

"Wrestling is not a viable option as a club sport in New Jersey," said Sabol. "In general, a club is formed from no sport with aspirations of being a Division I, II, or III sport, not the other way around."

In the Sept. 23, 2004 edition of *The Montclarion*, Gera was quoted saying, "There have been no discussions to cut the cross country program." Yet, according to Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Dr. Karen Pennington, a complete review of the program began as early as September.

However, Pasternack says that he was not surprised at all by the decision. Being that six teams in the New Jersey Athletic Conference all have cross country teams, the Red Hawks could find themselves at a bit of a disadvantage when recruiting new students, and in competing in the indoor/outdoor track season.

"If I was an athlete thinking of coming here, I wouldn't," said Pasternack. "The team developed a bond last season, because they had a coach to pay attention to them. Now that bond is broken. They will lose athletes who will run in the long distance races, we will just be a weaker team."

The athletic community (whether it be coaches and team members on the chopping block or those not on it yet) have come out strong in

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They Won't Go Down Easy

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Sports Editor

One chance, one season, one opportunity. This is all that's left of the Red Hawk men's lacrosse team, after the decision to remove from MSU's varsity sports.

The team wrapped up their 2004 season the same way they finished the campaign prior, as ECAC champions. This year, the sights have been set higher, and the importance has grown exponentially.

"We don't expect anything less than NCAA bids. This is our year to do it," said Kevin Gondres. "Our goal is to make the school look stupid."

The men's lacrosse team finished 13-3 in 2004, and 12-4 in the season prior. Head Coach John Greco has posted a 26-7 record since 2003, continuing in the foot-

steps of Doug Alsofrom, the most winning lacrosse coach in MSU history.

With all this success, the Red Hawks are finding it hard to believe that they won't have a 2006 season.

"The way administration presented themselves was very unprofessional," said team

the other Red Hawk athletes to be angered by the school's decision. After all, discussions regarding the athletic department began in late September. That's almost four months ago, yet the teams were notified last week.

On the heels of two very successful seasons, the team's recruiting plans were in full effect before they heard the news.

"We had three kids who transferred to MSU just to play lacrosse," said Klipper. "Now there is no lacrosse team for next year."

Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Dr. Karen Pennington said that the school can no longer support 21 varsity sports programs. "The school is simply not large enough," she said.

In Pennington's defense, there is no other program in the conference

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captain Roi Klipper. "The team wasn't officially notified until [last] Thursday."

It may be fair for Klipper and

Wrestlers Fight to Survive

Red Hawks Scrambling to Save Their Team from Impending Doom



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The wrestling team is facing elimination from the MSU athletic program. They have come together and plan to fight this decision until it gets overturned.

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It seems like a few days ago, when Assistant Wrestling Coach Rami Ratel was rejoicing about how good the team will be next season. The Red Hawk wrestlers are losing one senior, and would have had a boatload of talent returning for the 2006 wrestling season.

Head Coach Joe Sabol was contacted by Athletic Director Holly Gera last Wednesday at around 6 p.m. She told him that the wrestling team would not be a varsity

sport next season. She said they could become a club sport. She said a lot of things on the phone with Sabol pondering on how he was going to tell his wrestlers dreaming of National Championships that there wouldn't be a next year.

In essence, what the administration said to Sabol, Assistant Coaches John Vogel Sr., Ted Levine, Ratel, and the rest of the wrestling team is that we thank you for 99 All-Americans, but your services will no longer be needed here.

"What troubles me is that if they

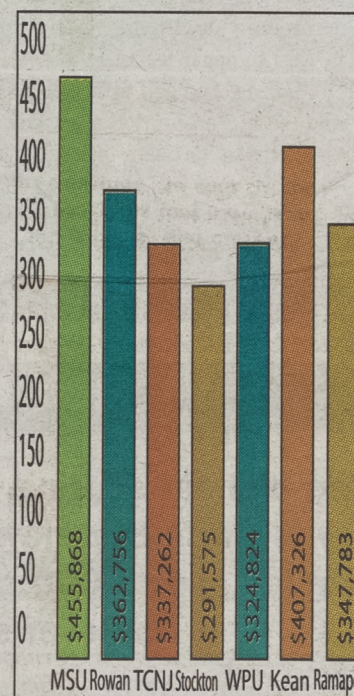
had come to me a month ago, and said that we were having some budget problems, I would have come up with something," said Sabol.

Even with the team in the middle of what could prove to be their last season, the wrestlers have not rolled over. They have contacted alumni, friends, family, and parents in effort to stop what has already been set in motion. Within the first 12 hours of hearing the news, Sabol had already raised \$55,000, and the rest of the coaches

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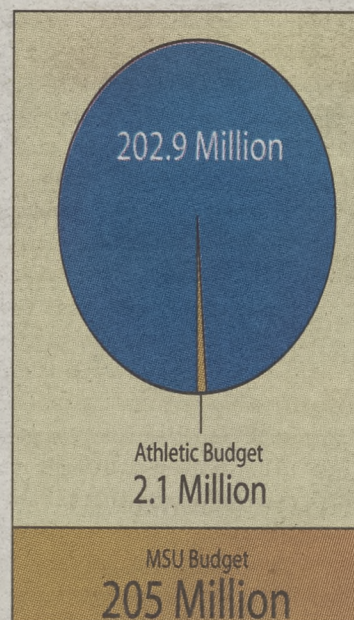
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Wrestling			
MSU	NO	NO	NO
Kean	NO	YES	YES
TCNJ	YES	YES	NO
Ramapo	NO	YES	NO
Rowan	NO	NO	NO
WPU	NO	YES	NO
Stockton	NO	YES	YES

NJAC schools that currently carry the programs that have been "reclassified" to club sports.



Statistics taken from the U.S. Department of Education

Operating costs of each university within the conference.



The athletic budget makes up 1.1 percent of the University's total budget.